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Prior to the time this number reaches you, a printed copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of the YD Veterans Association will have been placed in the hands of every official Chapter of the Association.

Any member may borrow one of these little booklets for as long a period as he may wish, by forwarding a 3 cent stamp, and a promise to return same on demand.

NO DUES, NO DOINGS!

"The saddest words of tongue or pen . . . ." We just ain't got the heart to cut off you bozoes in arrears from receiving the Convention Number next month. But after that . . . . . NO DUES, NO DOINGS! So, come across, will ya?

OUR NEXT NUMBER

The June Number of YANKEE DOINGS will, as usual, be the Annual Convention Number, containing the latest available information of the Great Annual Reunion in New Haven on the last three days of June.

It is hoped to print a number of illustrations of the historic City of Elms, a guide to the city, the parade route, if possible the parade orders, and most certainly the official program of the Convention.

There will also be pages of advertising matter. Readers will note that this is not from firms in Connecticut, as there has been an agreement with the Convention Committee whereby DOINGS ad-men stay out of the Nutmeg state, leaving the entire territory for the solicitors of the Convention Souvenir Program. DOINGS requests its readers to show their appreciation of those who advertise, both in the Convention Number of DOINGS, and in the Convention program, by giving them their patronage wherever possible.

Watch for the Convention Number.

CONVENTION TIME IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER!

JUNE 28, 29, 30

It has come to be the customary practice to make the May issue of YANKEE DOINGS each year a sort of pre-Convention Number, principally in an endeavor to stir the more sluggish of our brothers and comrades into action a good full month or five weeks in advance. So, in the midst of all the work and hustle of pre-Convention days, your General Convention Chairman, LEN MALONEY (M) has prepared for you here the story of what you'll see and what there will be to keep you busy and amused during those GREAT last three days of June in New Haven.

For Heaven's sake, fellows, co-operate a little bit by sending in your registration slips, so the boys that are doing all the work will have *some* idea what to expect, and where and how to house the gang for the one or two hours out of each 24 they feel the need of a roof over their heads.

And don't leave till the last minute making arrangements for your regimental or battalion reunion dinners or luncheons. Someone take the lead, and let us announce in June DOINGS where these are to be held. The Convention Committee, Box 1536, New Haven, will assign you a place to take care of anything from five to five hundred. Make a guess how many you'll have there and announce there WILL BE A REUNION WHETHER OR NO! Then watch the old pals of your regiment flock around.

Follows LEN MALONEY's (M) up-to-the-minute advance story:

Eight months of untiring effort have gone into the making of the 16th Annual Reunion of Yankee Division Veterans. Forty committees with at least five men and women to a committee have labored untiringly to make this 1935 gathering of YD men and women something they will always remember. A citizen's committee numbering over 150 representative men and women of New Haven and Connecticut have given their active support. The rest is in the hands of you and *you* and you. You YD men in Boston, Portland, Concord, Montpelier, Providence—Kankakee, Kalamazoo or wherever you may be—will make or break this convention. The stage is set—the actors know their parts—all we need is an audience.

The 1935 YD National Convention Committee looks forward with confidence to the last three days in June. We are sure you will not let us down; certain you will sustain our prediction that 10,000 would be in New Haven for the greatest of all peacetime gatherings of YD men and women. Perhaps we have planned things too pretentiously. If we have, it is because the whole-hearted support of the citizens and officials of the City of New Haven and the State of Connecticut has inspired us. In either event the show is here. Come and see it.

Hotel rates are as reasonable as you will find anywhere. We can give you accommodations to fit your purse. Whether you want to be in the heart of things or in a private home, whether you seek the quiet of the seashore, or the noise and glamor of the city in convention array, we can fix you up at reasonable rates. Anything from a cot in a room with eight of your buddies to a whole hotel for your outfit, is yours for the asking. Rates run from $1 single to $5 and $6 double. If your yen is for luxury you can have it at moderate cost. If you just want to bunk in somewhere you can do that, too. RALPH WALKER (M), chairman of the committee on housing, will take care of you. Address him at P. O. Box 1536, New Haven.

As to railroad rates—tell IRVING DORMAN (M) (same address) where you want to come from and he will make arrangements. At present there are two methods of securing a round trip for one and one-third the usual one-way cost. First pay the full fare to New Haven and when you get here we will provide you with a certificate entitling you to the return trip for one-third fare. The other and more satisfactory way is to register now and secure a certificate of identification upon which you may purchase the round trip at the reduced fare mentioned above.

Organizations planning reunions may have anything they want in the way of hotels, inns, roadhouses, restaurants or whatnots. All you have to do is write Capt. FRANK GRIMALDI (M) (same address) in detail, telling him what you want in the way of a dinner, accommodations and entertainment and the number you will have in attendance. He will secure prices for you.

Thus far the interest in the New Haven reunion has been gratifying. The "Connecticut Yankee", your committee's pre-convention publication, started with a modest circulation. It is now going to 2,200 YD men, veterans groups and others. Inquiries have come in from 34 States. Men from Florida, Georgia, Michigan, Illinois, Ohio, Washington, West Virginia and North Carolina have indicated their intention of being here. Groups are being formed throughout New England. Connecticut now has a reciprocal arrangement whereby buses may enter the State without red tape.

A bill was rushed through our General Assembly to stop the obnoxious hawking of wares by alleged veterans. Your Convention Committee fathered this bill. The Connecticut Tercentenary Commission is

The Famous Yale Bowl—The Scene of Many a Minor Conflict in New Haven's History

co-operating with your convention committee in making your stay here enjoyable. It is the 300th anniversary of Connecticut's founding. She's a grand old State and you will see her at her best.

Now a word about registrations. Naturally our plans are predicated entirely upon advance registrations. It is important that we know how many of you will be here. We cannot proceed intelligently until at least approximately accurate information is in hand. Lend us your co-operation by securing as many advance registrations as possible. Send them to RAYMOND V. KENNEY (M), P. O. Box 1536, New Haven. He will send you a receipt and upon presentation of this receipt at the convention you will receive your registration badge and other paraphernalia. To register now is to save four bits. Y.D.V.A. members may sign up now for $1.50; non-members, $2.00. During the convention registration fees will be: Y.D.V.A. members, $2.00; non-members, $2.50.

The program as nearly as it can be doped out at this date is as follows:

See June Number for Final Program

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

9.00 A.M. Exhibit of World War Posters.
10.00 A.M. Bus tours of city and environs, including Yale University, Judges Cave and other historic points.
1.00 P.M. Clambake and barbecue at Lighthouse Point Park. Purposely arranged for Friday to get you birds here early. Free bathing; free golfing; free boat rides.
2.00-5.00 P.M. Business meeting at West Shore Hotel.
4.00 P.M. Inspection Submarines R-11 and R-13 and other naval vessels.
8.00 P.M. Stag show for Y.D.V.A. members who register.
8.00 P.M. Free theater tickets for women visitors.
10.00 P.M. Night air raid over New Haven.

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

9.00 A.M. Exhibit of World War Posters.
10.00-12.00 Business meeting and election of officers.
1.00 P.M. Grand Parade with massed flags of all nations.
3.00 P.M. Drum Corps Contest and Massing of Flags of all nations.
6.00 P.M. Dinner to Distinguished Guests and Y.D.V.A. Executive Committee.
6.00 P.M. Reunion gatherings and dinners.
8.00 P.M. Mademoiselle from Armentieres and her Girls. For Y.D.V.A. MEMBERS who register.
9.00 P.M. Grand Military Hop at State Armory.

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

9.00 A.M. Exhibit of World War posters.
11.00 A.M. Non-sectarian Memorial Exercises on New Haven Green.
1.00 P.M. (Tentative) Decoration of YD men who volunteered for trench fever experiment in France.
1.00 P.M. Air meet at municipal airport.

Of course this program is tentative and subject to change. But we can assure you that you will be given no less than appears above. More than likely other events will be crammed in.

By May 15th, invitations will have gone forward to the Governors of the six New England States inviting them to attend our 16th annual reunion. YD Chapters in these States, and YD men of influence, are urged to contact their chief executives and press acceptance of the invitation. Rooms will be reserved for the Governors and their parties. It is important that they be with us on Saturday, June 29. A dinner in their honor will be held on that day and their presence in the reviewing stand during the parade will be appreciated.

If you are interested there are certain things you should do at once.

SEND YOUR REGISTRATION FEE TO RAY KENNEY (M); arrange for housing with RALPH WALKER (M); arrange railroad transportation with IRVING DORMAN (M); write FRANK GRIMALDI (M) about the reunion of your old outfit; write your Congressman and Senator to get the Connery Bill out of the Committee on Military Affairs during the next two weeks in order that those of our buddies who placed their lives in jeopardy by volunteering for the trench fever tests may receive the recognition due them; write LEN MALONEY (M) for convention posters and stickers. Are we asking too much? Hell's bells and feather dusters, Soldier, we'll give you full return for your money.

—LEN MALONEY (M)
General Chairman

From "The Connecticut Yankee"

So's Your Old Man

Listen, Yank! You've been kidding me a-plenty. When in hell are you coming cocoa with that buck and a half registration fee? Are you waiting for the dollar to inflate? We simply gotta know how many of you birds are gonna visit our fair village for the Convention.

Do it today while it's on your mind. Remember it is a buck and a half if you carry a Y.D.V.A. card and two smackers if you don't.

LEN MALONEY (M)
General Chairman

Hotel Reservations Now Being Received For June

RALPH WALKER (M), Chairman of the committee

on Housing, is now in position to take care of room reservations for anything from a "single without" to a whole hotel. Ralph can accommodate you in any price range. The choicest rooms will go to the early applicants.

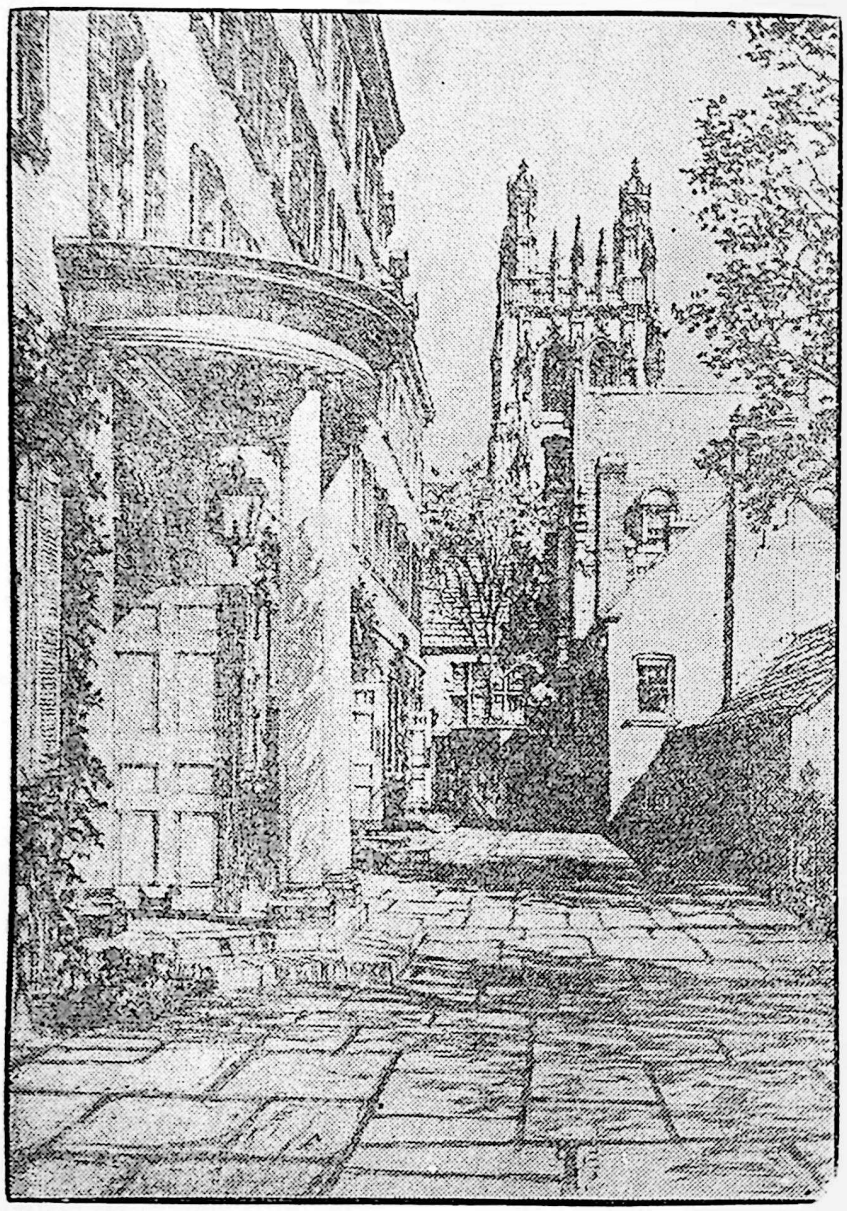
If you want your outfit all together—write Ralph.

If you want seashore—write Ralph.

If you want to be in the thick of things—write Ralph.

If you want peace and quiet—write Ralph.

Address him at P.O. Box 1536, New Haven, Conn.



DAVENPORT COLLEGE
ON YALE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

Editorially Speaking

"We do not claim we won the war but God knows we tried to do our part." Thus writes TOM FINNANE, a YD man in Perry, Iowa, away out where the tall corn grows. Tom crammed a lot of mighty fine philosophy into that letter of his. Nothing struck us quite so forcefully, however, as did the quotation above,

It is true the old YD did not win the war. But we did try to do our part. And so it is with the 16th annual convention to be held in New Haven. We do not claim it will be the best convention ever held by a World War outfit. But we do claim that every man-Jack of us here in New Haven will try to do our respective parts to make it the greatest and best gathering of YD men. But after all the final say rests with you. If you do not come—if you do not pitch yourself wholeheartedly into the spirit of the thing, all our work will have been for naught. Come on you rip-stitchin', ditch-diggin' Yank! The command is — ON TO NEW HAVEN.

Connecticut Yankee Going To 27 States

The 1935 YD Convention Committee's publicity medium, "Connecticut Yankee", is now going to our comrades in 27 States. Fourteen hundred copies each month are mailed. As far west as California, South to Texas and Florida, east to New York, Maine, Jersey and Pennsylvania, and north to Wisconsin, Michigan and Illinois, the gang is falling in for the big doings of June 28, 29 and 30. Remember, there are only two more issues and then you will have to depend upon YANKEE DOINGS for your news. PAY YOUR DUES ———NOW!

Reduced Rates Secured For Convention Guests: Write Irv For Price

Irving Dorman, chairman of the committee on transportation and parking, announces that all members and non-members of the Y.D.V.A., who plan to visit the City of New Haven on the occasion of the 16th annual reunion of the Y.D.V.A., on June 28, 29 and 30 may secure reduced rates on certain bus

and railroad lines.

Several of the larger roads have already responded to Irv's requests for cheap fares. Write him in care of P.O. Box 1536 for information. Dorman is also arranging free parking space for convention visitors. More about this will appear in *the May issue of the YANKEE.*

Notice Tank Corps

Members of the Tank Corps who plan to attend the YD Convention in New Haven and who wish to get together as a group, write WILLIAM J. CROTTY 123 Treadwell St., Hamden, Conn. (Former member of Co. C, 328th Bn.)

The Serious Side

The opening gun of "The Greatest YD Convention" will be fired at 2:30 P.M. on Friday, June 28, when the business meeting convenes, to dispose of the resolutions, amendments, felicitations, introductions, congratulations, elections, and whatnot that have to be performed every year. From then till midnight, Sunday, there'll be something doing every minute, and believe your officers, when they say that the business part will be cut just as short as humanly possible. They're going to New Haven to have a good time just the same as you are. So, PLEASE, if you hold a Y.D.V.A. membership card to April 1, 1936, won't you curb the desire of goin' places and doin' things for just a coupl'a hours Friday afternoon and tend to the serious business of your Association.

MOTOR ROUTES TO NEW HAVEN

Probably 90% or more of those who attend the New Haven Convention from points in New England will go by motor. In fact it would be the grandest idea in the world for the President of all Chapters to start this minute sizing up the transportation problem to see how everyone will be taken care of. Or if you live where there is no Chapter, give a few of the fellows in town a ring on the phone and make up as many car loads as there are YD cars in town.

From Boston, New Haven is 150 to 165 miles depending on the route you take. Recommended is Route 9, the "Worcester Pike" starting at Brookline Village, through Framingham to junction Route U.S. 20 in Northboro, to point in Sturbridge where fork left at sign "To Hartford", thence via Stafford Springs and Hartford to New Haven. Good road all the way.

Alternate Route: U.S. No. 1, the new Providence Pike to Providence, the Noose Neck Hill short route to Westerly, rejoin U.S. No. 1 all the way to New Haven.

From Worcester: Stafford Springs, Hartford, New Haven.

From Springfield: Connecticut Valley Route all the way, through Hartford to New Haven.

From Manchester, N.H.: U.S. No. 3 to Lowell, No. 110 to Worcester, Stafford Springs, Hartford, New Haven.

From Providence: Already given under alternate route from Boston.

From Portland, Maine: U.S. No. 1 to junction Mass. 110 at Salisbury; 110 to Worcester; Stafford Springs, Hartford, New Haven.

New York City: U.S. No. 1 all the way.

Schofield Barracks, Terr. Hawaii: Steamer to San Francisco, Lincoln Highway, U.S. No. 30 to New York City; U.S. No. 1 to New Haven. (Ah, there, DENNIS (M)).

YOU'RE WISHING A DETAIL ON YOURSELF

EDITOR OF YANKEE DOINGS:

What, $1300.00? Easy! This suggestion is late for this season but for the coming winter I suggest that all YD Chapters or Clubs run an Auction Bridge Tournament.

To cite an example; one of the large factories in Providence, R. I., where I am employed, have been running one for the past six years, in fact I was Secretary-Treasurer for the 1933-34 season. In that season we had eighteen teams in the Auction group and six teams in the Contract group. Naturally, one team consists of two players. In the Auction group we played each team once. The Contract group played each other three times. A regular schedule was made out, a game a week for each team. We gave prizes for first and second places in the Auction group and first place in the Contract group; the balance of the money was spent for a bang up time.

My suggestion is that each Chapter, or Club, form a tournament of this sort, start early, say the first week of November in order to finish by the middle of January. This would allow time for the winners of each Chapter to play for sectional winners, finally working up to the Champions of the New England Y.D.V.A. ("G.K.M." of California would be S.O.L. in this set-up as far as champions are concerned).

Chapters having a large membership could be split into several groups. The fee of twenty-five cents would be very small compared to the renewal of friendship with your old buddies.

Prizes could be given to the winners and the balance sent to Headquarters.

If this interests you at all I will be glad to assist in any way possible.

—E. F. SIMPSON (M)

Providence, R. I.
May 2

TESTIMONIAL DINNER TO BILL SNYDER (M)

Monday evening, May 6, the "club devkelder", at 198 Huntington Ave., on the ground floor of the YD Memorial Clubhouse, was the scene of as happy and cordial gathering of YD men as has assembled at one place for a long time. The occasion was a testimonial dinner to BILL SNYDER (M), Assistant Manager of the YD Club from the day it opened its doors on October 12, 1920, until last February, when he resigned to take up a new line of work.

Just about one hundred members of the YD Club sat down to a fine steak dinner prepared by the chef of BILL's own establishment, the "club devkelder," following a preliminary skirmish of a half-hour's duration or so, during which the white-coated gentlemen defending the mahogany ramparts were vanquished and captured.

ROBERT DUNCAN, JR. (M), President of the YD Club, opened the speaking part of the program by introducing Col. WILLIAM J. BLAKE (M), acting Chairman of the Committee of Past Presidents of the Club which had carried out the plans for the testimonial dinner. Col. BLAKE (M) was acting in place of Past President RALPH M. EASTMAN (M), who was obliged to be absent from the gathering due to the serious illness of one of his children.

BILL BLAKE (M), in turn, introduced as Toastmaster of the evening General CHARLES H. COLE (LM), who called on everyone to rise for a moment's silence and a toast to the Division's dead and the two former Presidents of the Club who have passed away, General EDWARDS and Col. CARROLL J. SWAN.

In the absence of C. BIRD KEACH (M), President of the YD Veterans Association, the greetings and best wishes of the Association to the guest of honor were extended by ALBERT W. BARNARD (M), Vice President of the Association. The Secretary of the Y.D.V.A., PHIL SANBORN (M) as one who worked many years at the same desk with BILL SNYDER (M), after nearly disrupting the meeting with several of the milder verses of an A.E.F. "barrack-room ballad", (which, in a less hilarious setting he might have refrained from relating) finally settled down to a tribute to his old deskmate, and his loyalty and hard work for the YD Club.

The formal speaking program was interrupted from time to time by songs from various volunteers; MARTY TAYLOR (M), rendering an Irish ballad (seems as if it was "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling", but we were a little hazy at that point); and BILL BLAKE (M), giving the ever-popular "Allouette".

BILL BROWN (LM), another former President of the Club spoke during one of your correspondent's intermittent visits to the back-room. By the applause he got, it was good, but we'll have to rely on BILL or someone who heard him to tell you what it was.

Gen. SHERBURNE (LM) paid the guest of honor a ringing tribute, and digressed to sound a call to arms to the Yankee Division to erect a memorial to the name of the Division in Boston; outlining his own suggestion for a monumental arch in Kenmore Square, saying that the Division now had its memorial in France, and it was about time it had one in the city of its birth—Boston.

Col. WILLIAM J. KEVILLE (LM), another former President of the Club, after sincerely honoring the devotion and loyalty that BILL SNYDER (M), has given to the Club, called on all YD men to show the same spirit, to forget politics and get back to the old-fashioned American virtue of loyalty to Country. He concluded by presenting BILL SNYDER (M) with a check for approximately one hundred dollars, as a token of the esteem of the guests at the dinner and many others who had contributed but were unable to attend.

Bill responded with what he claimed was his first speech in the fifteen years he had served the Club. Briefly, but filled with feeling, he thanked all present for the affection they had shown toward him.

At this point the tables were turned: the honored guest became mine host, and a dandy floor show was enjoyed by all, followed by little reunions until the small hours of the morning.

—P. N. S. (M)

CHATEAU THIERRY MEDALS

Information has been received from the Mayor of the town of Chateau Thierry that members of the Yankee Division who were with the Division at any date between July 8 and July 25, 1918, or with the Artillery or Engineers at any time up to August 4, 1918, are entitled to receive the Chateau Thierry memorial medal.

The price of the medal is 26 francs, equal at the present rate of exchange, to approximately $1.65.

Members desiring to obtain this medal, please write to the Secretary, Y.D.V.A. for proper application form. DO NOT SEND MONEY until you have made out the blank and are returning it.

INFORMATION WANTED—103rd INFANTRY

Mrs. William A. Austin, 55 So. Kimball St., Bradford, Mass., requests information concerning the hospitalization of her husband, the late WILLIAM A. AUSTIN (103rd Infantry).

MEMORIAL DRINKING FOUNTAIN TO COL. SWAN UNVEILED

On the evening of Wednesday, May 8, former members of D Company, 101st Engineers, unveiled a beautiful memorial drinking fountain to their beloved "Skipper", the late Lt. Col. CARROLL J. SWAN, in the First Corps of Cadets Armory on Columbus Ave.

The occasion was one of the most brilliant and colorful events the old Armory—scene of many a spectacle of military pomp—has ever seen. Following a half-hour public inspection and demonstration of the technique of an anti-aircraft battalion, including the use of the huge search-light and anti-aircraft guns; promptly at 8:10 first call sounded, followed by assembly of the active corps, all four batteries, in service uniform and under arms. As they stood at attention, former members of D Company, 101st Engineers, under command of Lt. JULIUS DANIELS (M), over 100 strong, formed on the opposite side of the drill floor, and behind them members of other Engineer companies, old First Corps men, and groups from the various organizations in which the late Col. SWAN was active. The active corps passed in review before the veterans of D Company, to the music of their own fine band.

Then, with old D Co., at right of line, in front of the as-yet unveiled memorial, Capt. OSCAR BOHLIN, formerly Carroll's First Sergeant of old D Co., now Adjutant of the First Corps, read a splendid tribute to Col. SWAN, relating from personal knowledge his inspiring leadership in war days. GEORGE ST. LAURENT (M), President of D Co. Association made the address of presentation, and the fountain was accepted by the First Corps of Cadets by Col. Holton B. Perkins.

The American flag covering the fountain was raised by Mrs. Swan, present at the occasion, by virtue of splendid courage and fortitude, from a sick-bed.

The unveiling revealed a beautifully designed tablet in the shape of an Engineer castle—part of the fountain—in which was carved the letter "D" balanced by the "YD" insignia, the emblem of the First Corps, and the Words:

ERECTED BY MEMBERS OF D COMPANY
TO PERPETUATE THE MEMORY OF OUR
"SKIPPER" CARROLL J. SWAN,
D COMPANY, 101st U.S. ENGINEERS, A.E.F.

It occupies a space in the drill hall, just to the left of the main entrance door.

Mrs. Swan was presented with a beautiful floral bouquet, amid the cheers of the hundreds who packed the balconies and all available space around the edges of the huge drill shed, while the band played a martial tribute to the gallant spirit of the man who knew no such word as "Can't".

The active corps then passed in review before Mrs. Swan and the memorial fountain, battery guidons dipping as they passed, and the sabre of the battery commanders at salute.

This concluded the formal part of the program, but much of spectacular interest was yet to come. The Drill Team of Wollaston Post, A.L. put on one of the finest exhibitions of practically faultless manoeuvring ever seen anywhere; the resplendant Drum and Bugle Corps of Malden Post, and Old Dorchester Post, American Legion, kept the spectators fascinated with exhibitions of playing and complicated marching; the renowned drummer George Lawrence Stone, gave an exhibition of drumming which revealed a technique which few drummers in the country could hope to equal.

As a closing event of a grand evening, the active corps reformed for evening parade, under command of Lt. Col. SPENCER (M), Capt. OSCAR BOHLIN, Adjutant, during which a white silk guidon was presented to the Commanding Officer by the Military Order of the World War.

Including troops, about 2000 people packed the armory, and came away feeling that a worthwhile tribute had been paid to one of the Corps most outstanding leaders in peace and war.

—P. N. S. (M)

GOSH A'MIGHTY, WHAT A HORNET'S NEST WE STARTED

Your editor had no idea of starting a Second World War in printing a few months ago the pros and cons of a discussion as to how letters from one member of the Yankee Division to another should start off; whether Dear Sir, Dear Comrade, Dear Buddy, or whatnot. But the argument seems to be assuming the proportions of at least a political campaign, if not an insurrection.

We have room for only a few. DAVE SWARTZ (M) (102nd Amb. Co.), of Detroit, addresses his letter "hello, "the Club": and says: "So long as there is some sort of controversy about the terms, Buddy, comrade, brother, pal, etc., I shall sign off as 'just a YD boy' ".

Another, who prefers to remain anonymous, says: "Comrade or buddy is well if it is used for others outside the Division. Yank is for Yankee. Would like to submit 'Yank', as here used." His letter starts off: "Hi, Yank".

OLDEST—YOUNGEST YD MAN

EDITOR OF YANKEE DOINGS:

I think your attempt to locate the oldest and the youngest living YD man will create a lot of interest among the readers and may also reveal the location of many a YD buddy in hiding somewhere out in the sticks.

I don't think I can carry off the skyhooks in this race, but I think I'm in the running. I was born on November 7, 1898. Let's hear from some more and make it a red-hot race!

Congratulations to YANKEE DOINGS for putting things over the way it does. Every YD man should at least lend his support with his two bucks.

—GEORGE ROBERTSON (M)
(B Co., 101st Inf.)

Norfolk County Hospital
So. Braintree, Mass.

OLD ISAAK WALTON HIMSELF

Last month DOINGS printed a letter from TOM MUSKER (M) (I Co., 101st Inf.) of Melrose, asking readers to send in some good stories of fishing. This month he comes to bat with a darn good one himself, "to start the ball rolling" as he says.

It seems that on April 18, Tom pulled two salmon out of Lake Walden, in Concord, Mass., one weighing 2⅞ pounds, the other 2¾ pounds. These are the first salmon caught in Lake Walden in 12 years, according to the associate county game warden. The Boston Herald thought enough of the exploit to give it double column space, with a 2-col. picture of Tom holding his two prizes. Tom says: "Boy, were these two babies bold before I laid them at attention!"

HOW ARE THINGS GOING?

If, sitting at the desk at Y.D.V.A. headquarters, we hear that question once a week we hear it twenty times. And the answer is, things are going very well.

At the close of the day's business on April 30, one month after the beginning of the Association's year, there were on the books a paid-up membership, exclusive of life members, of 797. On the same date a year ago there were 546, an increase of 251 or almost 50%. These 797 members comprised 452 who were members of some one of the Association's 28 Chapters, and 345 members-at-large. The highest point reached in membership last year was 1760. Can we keep the 50% lead over last year held on April 1? If so, we can have a membership this year of 2500 or more.

The money situation is not quite so rosy as that, due to the fact that the past few years have tied an anchor of debt to our craft, which your officers are making superhuman efforts to clear off and at the same time have enough to go through the current year. As the Annual Report of the Treasurer, covering the period up to March 31, 1935 will soon be completely audited and ready, we won't go into any more figures here.

There are indubitable prospects of our biggest and best Annual Convention and Reunion this year in New Haven, on the last three days of June.

All in all, YD spirit is still running high, so stay by the craft and keep the name and tradition of the old Division alive.

THANK YOU, ONE AND ALL

When bills for dues in the Y.D.V.A. were sent out on April 1 this year, a little slip was inserted showing a deficit of something over $400.00 for the year just ended, with a footnote that 25 or 50 cents from each member paying his dues would wipe this out, but that the decision was to rest with him.

At that time 188 members had already paid in advance, so did not receive any bill or slip. Since then, up to the close of April 30, 609 more have paid dues. Many have added 50 cents; quite a few have added $1.00; a few 25 cents; and at least a dozen have lumped in two or three dollars extra. Yet the total of these ante's to the kitty have totalled only $118.28, or less than an average of 25 cents per man of those paying dues in this period.

However, this isn't to question or criticise. It is written merely as an expression of thanks to those who have felt able and willing to add a bit, whether 25 cents or $5.00. In the rush of work it has been impossible to write each and every one of them a personal acknowledgement, and it is hoped they will take this little article as a personal letter, expressing the appreciation of the Y.D.V.A. for their loyalty and support.

NEW DEAL STATISTICS

Population of the United States	124,000,000
Eligible for Townsend Pension	50,000,000
Balance	74,000,000
Those prohibited from working under Child Labor laws, plus those working for the Government	60,000,000
Balance	14,000,000
Unemployed	13,999,998
Balance, left to produce the Nation's goods	2

You and me: I'm all tired out.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION OF Y.D.V.A.

Elsewhere in this number, in the regular "Call" for the Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Y.D.V.A., will be found the content of a proposed amendment to the Constitution. It seeks to enlarge the number of National Vice Presidents at large from two to four.

In explanation of this proposed amendment, it may be pointed out that both the YD Club of Washington, D.C. (CH), and the Southern California Chapter (CH) of the Association have written asking that they be recognized by having one of their members elected to the office of National Vice President at large. In view of their record as Chapters of the Association, it was felt that the request was a reasonable one, and would have been equally reasonable if coming for instance from the Chicago Chapter, or even from New York City, where, while at present there is no official Chapter, there are many members of the Association.

However, the Constitution provides for only two Vice Presidents at large, and it has been the custom to elect to these two offices Massachusetts men—not because Massachusetts feels deserving of greater representation—but simply because when meetings of the National Executive Committee are called throughout the year, to transact the business of the Association, it is important to have as many present as possible, and at all events a quorum, which consists of five. These meetings are practically always held in Boston, and for that reason and that reason alone, the two Vice Presidents at large have nearly always been chosen from some place near enough to Boston to attend meetings without too great difficulty.

By enlarging the number to four, two can be chosen from outside New England, to serve in somewhat of an honorary capacity, while not curtailing the number who can be called together for committee meetings.

The National Executive Committee, as at present composed, consists of the President, Treasurer, Chaplain, Secretary, the Vice President of each New England state (six in number), the two Vice Presidents at large, three executive-committeemen-at-large, and the President, ex-officio, of each chartered Chapter of the Association. At the present moment, out of the above 43 members, only 7 live in Greater Boston; namely the Treasurer, the Secretary, the Vice President for Massachusetts, the three executive-committeemen at large and the President of the Boston Chapter. (Their names appear in the "mast-head" on the first page of YANKEE DOINGS. The President is from Providence; the Chaplain from Springfield, the two Vice Presidents at large from Lynn and Worcester respectively, and the nearest Chapter presidents are those of the YD Club of Lynn (CH) and the YD Club of Brockton (CH), all others living at a distance of from 40 to 3000 miles from Boston. Therefore there are seven local men to draw a quorum of five from, unless some of those at a distance find it possible to be present. To shift the two Vice Presidents at large to points outside New England would practically remove ANY chance of their being present whereas now they quite often attend. This, then, is the reason for the proposed amendment increasing the number to four.

One other thing: a rather nice parliamentary tangle. This amendment cannot be ratified until the Convention, and cannot be declared in effect until ratified. Therefore, the Nominating Committee cannot submit candidates for the two new offices to be filled until those offices are created. BUT, the Nominating Committee must submit its slate of candidates in time to be published in the June Number of DOINGS. Therefore, there will be no nominations for the two new offices in the event the Amendment is ratified. Neither can nominations be made from the floor under the Constitution, the only way provided except for the nominations made by the Nominating Committee, being by at least 20 members at least seven days before the Convention. But here again, the new offices do not exist seven days before the Convention. Therefore, under no conditions can the two new offices, if created, be filled at the Convention.

However, Section 7 of Article VII provides that any vacancy occurring at any time in any National office shall be filled by appointment of the National Executive Committee. Immediately the Amendment is ratified, and the election of officers is held, a vacancy of two officers will be declared to exist, in appointing men to fill the two vacancies the newly elected Executive Committee will follow the wishes of members outside New England which may be freely expressed at the Convention or in writing.

STICKING BY THE SHIP

"I hope you make up your small deficit for the present year and I would suggest that you keep right on digging and endeavor to collect by special contribution the deficit of the former years", writes JOHN CASWELL (M) of Washington, D.C.

And from DAVE SWARTZ (M) of Detroit: "Enclosed is a little something extra to help out a bit. It isn't much, but what there is is sent with the best of luck and good fortune to and for the Association and the members."

BERNARD S. CARTER (LM), from Paris, France: "As I should hate to miss any number of YANKEE DOINGS in the future, I enclose herewith my check for $10.00 toward the completion of the fund you are trying to raise to tide over these hard times."

From ANDY HANNEY (M) (H Co., 101st Inf.), Buffalo, N. Y.: "Enclosing $3.00 with no request for a refund. Apply the other dollar, though not so much, to the general cash account. It may buy a few stamps for reminders that Dues are Due."

DOINGS wishes it were possible to quote here the scores of notes of encouragement, accompanied by everything from 25 cents to $10.00 which have been received by members remitting their dues. It gives a fellow a pretty warm feeling around the heart.

WASHINGTON ASKS RECOGNITION

EDITOR OF YANKEE DOINGS:

There has been one matter that I have been meaning to call to the attention of the National officers of the Y.D.V.A. The organization has two vice-presidents at large, and I do not believe that it has ever been the privilege of the YD Club of Washington, though it is Chapter No. 1, to have a member considered for vice-president at large. We have many keen YD men in this sector and, it seems to me, that every few years one of our membership should be considered as vice-president at large. If you would like this thought in the form of a "resolute" for the Resolutions Committee of the National Convention, I will be glad to submit same.

—JOHN CASWELL (M)
(101st Engrs.)

(Ed. Note: See proposed Amendment)

A YD WIDOW OF A YD SON

EDITOR OF YANKEE DOINGS:

In your April issue you tell of the tragic death of Lt. Donald Gordon McGrew, son of DONALD FRANCIS MCGREW (103rd Inf.), in an airplane crash in the Canal Zone.

You may be interested in knowing that Lt. McGrew was also my son-in-law. His widow, Mary Imbrie McGrew, being my oldest daughter. She makes her home with me in Newburgh, N. Y., with her small son—Peter McGrew.

In this sad affair both the 103rd and 104th Infantry of the YD join in mourning the loss of a brave officer.

—(Rev.) C. K. IMBRIE (M)
(104th Inf.)

Newburgh, N. Y.
April 29

REPERCUSSIONS

From JOHN CASWELL (M) (101st Engrs.), of the YD Club of Washington: "I believe YANKEE DOINGS is a swell piece of work and I think that our chapeaux, berets and fedoras must be doffed monthly to the editor for his unfailing efforts and successful results. Like all others who are fortunate enough to receive it, it gets my foremost attention. My only complaint is that my wife gives me hell the evening it arrives, as she finds me so absorbed my companionship is negligible. I want particularly to commend the report on CARROLL SWAN'S funeral. I wish I could have been there to pay my respects to one of the grandest and most active members of the Yankee Division."

From NORMAN D. MACLEOD (M) (103rd F.A.), of Providence: "I am prompted to chip in this time, regardless, because of the real kick I got out of reading your editorial on current conditions in the March issue. It was a masterful word picture of just what we are in and what is being done to us. If only other veterans organizations would take up the cudgels in the same vein, we would get out a whole lot faster."

From BERNARD S. CARTER (LM) (103rd Inf.), of the office of Morgan & Cie., Paris, France: "I thought the article 'Between Ourselves' in the March issue contained some of the soundest common sense I have ever read. I wish it could be given countrywide publicity."

CARROLL J. SWAN MEMORIAL FUND

A movement has been started to raise a fund—amount not yet definitely determined—probably $25,000.00, by members of approximately 21 organizations of which the late Col. CARROLL J. SWAN was a member; civic, military, veteran and fraternal.

The initiative in this movement was taken by the Advertising Club of Boston and several preliminary meetings have been held, with delegates present from some of the many bodies which it is hoped will all participate. The YD Club of Boston (CH) has appointed as its two representatives, JOE GALLIGAN (M), Secretary-Treasurer of the Club, and JULIUS DANIELS (M), who was a 1st Lieutenant in CARROLL SWAN'S old Company, D Co., 101st Engineers. The YD Veterans Association has voted to participate, but the President has not yet announced his two appointees.

The present tentative plans call for keeping the principal of the fund raised, and using the accrued interest for charitable purposes, very probably along the lines of child welfare, Carroll having been a great lover of children.

A luncheon is to be held on May 23 at the Hotel Copley-Plaza, at which the project will be formally launched.

COLONEL HARRY B. ANDERSON

On April 9, death claimed a former officer of the 26th Division, who, while not so well known in New England, was one of the leading and outstanding citizens of the state of Tennessee, and who is remembered by his fellow officers of Division Headquarters with love and esteem,—Federal Judge HARRY B. ANDERSON, former Judge Advocate of the Yankee Division, who came to the Division while it was in the Toul Sector, remained with it till it sailed for home. He came as a major, was promoted to a lieutenant-colonelcy and the position of Divisional Judge Advocate while with the 26th.

Death was sudden, although Col. ANDERSON had been in Crook Sanitarium since March 29, on which date he was stricken with neuralgia of the heart while sitting in court. The doctors however were about ready to proclaim that he had won his fight for life, when suddenly, on April 9, a coronary occlusion stilled his heart-beat and death had come. He was 55 years of age, having been born in Michigan in 1879, and is survived by his widow the former Miss Pattie C. Crook of Jackson, Tenn., and four children, Adelaide, Joe, Seneca, and Harry B., Jr.

Colonel ANDERSON is described in the tributes of his many friends in the Memphis newspapers, of which DOINGS has numerous clippings, as a man of truly remarkable and distinguished character. Excerpts from some of these tributes are given below. He was appointed to the Federal bench in 1925 by President Calvin Coolidge, the reward of a life devoted to love of law and diligence in the pursuit of knowledge and judicial wisdom. A lover of painting, literature and all fine arts, he was known to give expression to his deeper sentiments on occasions: DOINGS reprints in this issue a little poem he composed while on the Toul Sector in France. Follow excerpts from an editorial in the Memphis "Commercial Appeal":

> "HARRY ANDERSON was more than a judge. . . . . There was a sympathetic, friendly, human interest which he took with him to the bench; and though the evil-doer who followed his evil imagination for evil's sake could not escape, the poor and unfortunate never left Harry Anderson's court without feeling that justice, after all, can be tempered with mercy.
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> "Memphis lost a fine citizen when Death snatched Harry Anderson out of the prime of life. His church lost an upright Christian follower, his family circle a dutiful son, a devoted husband, a splendid father."

The following letter was written to YANKEE DOINGS by Col. CHARLES A. STEVENS (LM) of Lowell, Mass., former Division Adjutant of the 26th Division:

> "Anderson and I were billeted together a great deal and he was really a remarkable man. Under his jurisdiction we had less than 10% of the average of all Divisions of courts-martial; but we had real justice."

THE YD CEMETERY

By the Late Col. HARRY B. ANDERSON
Former Judge Advocate, 26th Div.

The peasant children pass it as they leave the village school
The pious strangers cross themselves along the road to Toul,
The captains call attention as the dusty troops plod by,
The officers salute it though receiving no reply;
'Tis a spot all brown and barren 'mid the poppies in the grain—
The YD cemetery by a roadside in Lorraine.

A row of wooden crosses and beneath the upturned sod
The hearts once wild and restless now know the peace of God.
The brave young lads who left us while life was at its flood,
While life was fresh and joyous and fire was in the blood,
Their young lives now enfranchised from mirth or joy or pain,
They sleep the sleep eternal by a roadside in Lorraine.

Of all the myriad places for the dead of man to rest,
The graveyard of the warrior for a freeman is the best;
Oh! not for them our pity, but far across the foam,
For the gray-haired mother weeping in some New England home,
'Tis she who has our pity, 'tis she who feels the pain
Of the YD cemetery by a roadside in Lorraine.

The plodding columns pass them along the old Toul road;
New companies come marching where yesterday they strode;
Above, the whirr of motors—beyond, the roar of guns,
Where their allies and their brothers join battle with the Huns,
And the sunlight of their glory bursts through the clouds and rain
O'er the YD cemetery by a roadside in Lorraine.

CONGRATULATIONS

Haven't glimpsed this old caption over a column in DOINGS for a blue moon. Must be either the boys are all married, or else the few left have gotten entirely over the idea of being married. But "Congratulations" used to be the title heading up births as well as marriages, and it's a damn sure bet there are some of the boys not too old yet awhile to become dads.

Anyhow, be that as it may, TOM SHEPPARD (M) (102nd M.G. Bn.), President of the YD Club of Chicago (CH) and Mrs. Sheppard announce the arrival of a boy. That is to say, they haven't announced it themselves—not to DOINGS anyhow—but DOINGS has learned of it just the same. So they might as well come across with the rest of the data: date, weight, name, etc., etc.

New candidate for the Sons of the Legion, Feb. 26th. Son born to Mr. and Mrs. WALTER V. COPLEN (M), (E Co., 101st Inf.) Theodore Russell Coplen is the name.

EDWARD J. SHANAHAN (M) (Hq. Co., 104th Inf.) was married April 21, to Mary A. Regan of Malden. Enjoyed his honeymoon in Florida. Missed Athol but has signed up for New Haven.

YD POST, 290, AMERICAN LEGION

A short business meeting, followed by a Dutch upper and entertainment put on by the ladies of the 'ost Auxiliary, was held at the YD Club on the evening of April 22. A most enjoyable time was had, and the proceeds will be used for refreshments for Post members on May 30, following the cemetery exercises.

On Sunday, April 28, National and Squadron Colors were presented to Squadron 290, Sons of the American Legion, by His Excellency James M. Curley, Governor of Massachusetts, assisted by Miss Mary Curley, at the Mary E. Curley School, Centre St., Jamaica Plain. This impressive ceremony, during which his Excellency the Governor delivered one of the stirring patriotic addresses for which he has a most deserved reputation, was preceded by a short parade which formed at the McBride Playground on Carolina Ave., in which many local Legion and V.F.W. Posts with their Drum and Bugle Corps joined with YD Post and Corps. All in all, it was a beautiful and spectacular ceremony, and one fraught with symbolism and instruction for the youngsters to whom the colors were presented.

Past Commanders Night, including a Dinner Dance at the "club devkelder", at a price of $1.50 per person, is to be held at an early date (probably before this number of DOINGS reaches you.)

TAPS

Federal Judge HARRY B. ANDERSON, formerly Judge Advocate of the 26th Division, died suddenly in Memphis, Tenn., on April 9, 1935. See account elsewhere.

HOWARD K. STEARNS, formerly of B Co., 101st Ammunition Train, whose home was in Brighton, Mass., died during April.

EDWARD J. COLBERT of Brighton, and JOHN J. BRENNAN of Mattapan, both formerly of E. Co., 101st Infantry, died on the same day, April 8, and both were buried in the same cemetery, New Calvary, on April 11. Funeral services for Mr. Brennan were held at his late home, Wood Ave., Mattapan, followed by solemn high mass at St. Angela's Church at 9:00 o'clock, Thursday morning, April 8. Funeral services for his former comrade, Mr. Colbert were held at his late home, at 82 Beachcroft St., Brighton, followed by solemn high mass at St. Columbkille's Church at 9:00 o'clock. Former members of E Company attended both ceremonies and were able to be present at the interment of each of the two departed comrades at New Calvary Cemetery.

It has just come to the attention of YANKEE DOINGS that CHARLES M. BERNARD, formerly of K Co., 103rd Infantry, died on March 24, 1932. His home was in Libertyville, Ill.

YANKEE DOINGS has received belated information of the death of two former members of F Company, 101st Infantry, Sergeant PETE HAMLIN, and Private KING GORMAN. According to the information received, both died during January, 1935.

ELFORD P. ROGERS, formerly of B Co., 101st Machine Gun Battalion, died in Niantic, Conn., on April 5, 1935. More than 500 persons attended the funeral ceremonies, including scores of former officers and men of the 101st Machine Gun Battalion, and the 102nd Infantry. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. F. B. Boone at the Niantic Baptist Church. The Reverend Mr. Boone, who is Chaplain of Francis Turner Post, A.L., repeated the American Legion burial ritual at the grave. Interment was in Niantic Cemetery.

DAVID G. F. WARD, formerly First Sergeant of C Co., 103rd Machine Gun Battalion, died on May 18, 1934, word of his decease having only recently come to the knowledge of YANKEE DOINGS. His home was in Providence, R.I., and up to the time of his death, he was a member of the Yankee Division Veterans Association.

HILTON R. WILLIAMS, formerly of the Ordinance Detachment, 101st Field Artillery, died in Brockton, Mass. The funeral services on April 20, 1935, were attended by a large delegation of the YD Club of Brockton (CH) of which he was a member.

LEO TREMBLEY, formerly of Hq. Co., 102nd Infantry, of Saco, Maine, died during October, 1934, according to advice just received from his widow by YANKEE DOINGS.

JAMES F. RYAN, formerly of B Co., 101st Infantry, died suddenly on May 5. His home was in Watertown, Mass. He was a member of the YD Club of Boston and the YD Veterans Association.

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION, YD VETERANS ASSOCIATION

To All Whom It May Concern:

In accordance with Article VI, Section 3, of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws of the Yankee Division Veterans Association, and amendments thereof, notice is hereby given that the Sixteenth Annual Convention of said Association will convene in the city of New Haven, in the state of Connecticut, on Friday, June 28, 1935, at 2:30 P.M., in a place to be designated in a subsequent notice, at which time and place all business which can properly come before the legislative body of the Association will be duly considered and acted upon. The Convention will be of a duration of three days, June 28, 29 and 30; sessions of the legislative body being held on June 28 and 29 only.

Every member present whose dues for the current year have been received by the National Treasurer prior to the opening of the Convention session shall be entitled to one vote.

The following proposed Amendment to the Constitution and By-Laws, having been approved by the National Executive Committee at a regular meeting, will be placed before the Convention for its action:

PROPOSED

That Article VII, Section 1, be amended by changing the word "two" to "four", and by the addition of the words "not more than two of whom shall reside, at the time of their election, outside the boundaries of the New England states"; so that the entire amended section shall read:

(Proposed changes are in italics).

Section 1. The Annual Convention shall elect a National President, one National Vice-President from each New England state and *four* National Vice-Presidents at large *two of whom shall reside, at the time of their election, outside the boundaries of the New England states,* a National Treasurer and a National Chaplain.

—C. Bird Keach (M)
National President

Philip N. Sanborn (M)
National Secretary

NOMINATING COMMITTEE, Y.D.V.A.

At a regular meeting held in Boston on April 30, 1935, the National Executive Committee of the YD Veterans Association appointed the following five members to serve as a Nominating Committee, in accordance with Article VIII, Section 1 of the Amended Constitution and By-Laws.

Lt. Col. William J. Blake (M) (101st Infantry), Boston, Mass.
Former National President, Y.D.V.A., Former President YD Club of Boston (CH).

Henry A. Beaudreau (M) (101st F.A.), Brockton, Mass.
Secretary of the YD Club of Brockton (CH).

Harold E. McEwen (M) (103rd F.A.), Manchester, N.H.
Secretary of the YD Club of Manchester, N.H. (CH).

William P. Adams (M) (102nd Amb. Co.), Danbury, Conn.
Member of the YD Club of Norwalk, Conn. (CH).

Robert Spengler (M) (104th Inf.), East Longmeadow, Mass.
Treasurer of the YD Club of Springfield (CH).

It will be noticed that the Nominating Committee will be composed of men representative of as many parts of New England, and as many Chapters of the Association as is possible where limited to five, and these men have been urged to make the sacrifice of a trip to a convenient meeting place for the good of the Association. All this is in accordance with the policy of de-centralization of the Association, and the equality of influence of all groups of members.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, Y.D.V.A.

At a meeting of the National Executive Committee of the Y.D.V.A. held on the evening of April 30, attended by President Keach (M), Treasurer Redfield (M), Secretary Sanborn (M), Vice President Barnard (M), and Committeemen-at-Large Holden (M) and Hopkinson (M), the following were the principal pieces of business accomplished:

Charters as Chapters of this Association were granted to:

The "Marshall Donald Leach Chapter" of Terryville, Conn.

The YD Club of Bridgeport, Conn.

The YD Club of Hartford, Conn.

It was voted to join with many other organizations in which the late Col. Carroll J. Swan was active, in forming a Col. Carroll J. Swan Memorial Fund for charitable purposes. This on the invitation of the general committee, originally proposed by the Advertising Club of Boston.

A Nominating Committee was appointed, which will be announced elsewhere in this number, pro-

vided acceptances are received from the five men named before time of going to press.

The Bill, introduced in the National House of Representatives by Hon. WILLIAM P. CONNERY (M), and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, which seeks to confer the Congressional Medal of Honor on the so-called trench-fever volunteers, was endorsed, and record of the vote of said endorsement ordered communicated to Cong. CONNERY (M) and by him to the members of the Military Affairs Committee, urging its speedy adoption.

It was voted to bring before the Annual Convention a proposed Amendment to the Constitution, increasing the number of Vice Presidents-at-Large from two to four, two to be members of the Association whose place of residence shall be outside the New England States.

Voted to request terms for cash settlement of a bill owed by the Association since the Portland Convention, in 1932, the only outstanding account on the Association's books.

—PHILIP N. SANBORN (M)
National Secretary

BETWEEN OURSELVES

At heart every man is a child and believes in magic. At heart, this nation of ours is acting like the most credulous and gullible of all possible children in its infantile and imbecile trust in feats of legerdemain. Most of us in our sane minds know that the law of gravity exists. It is equally true that certain laws of economics, just as fundamental, and just as much beyond man's control, exist. But when a magician suspends a man in mid air, we half believe he has conquered gravity. And when some political necromancer produces the eggs of plenty out of the empty silk hat of poverty, without the labor of a hen, we—children that we are—proclaim, "Phooey on economic laws: this bird has found a way to beat 'em."

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What follows is not, we hope, getting into partisan politics. DOINGS doesn't care, and the writer of this article doesn't give a hoot either, whether the policy of our government is shaped by men wearing the tag of Repubicans, Democrats or whatever else, so long as they shape it well. But DOINGS, as representative of a body of citizens who thought enough of the welfare of their country to serve it in time of war, and the writer who was just one of those citizens, still think enough of it to serve in time of peace. And if commendation or criticism, whether it be of Republicans or Democrats—and there is plenty to commend and plenty to criticise in either—seems to be "in line of duty", then we're for it. What follows may seem aimed at one party—more truly it is aimed at the futility of trying to evade certain truths and certain consequences—a procedure of which one party is as likely to be guilty as another if given the chance and the power.

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What then are some of the tricks which we—as the most dim-witted of nations at the moment—sit gulping down in pop-eyed credulity? Or to put the question differently, what are some of these natural laws which, in our moments of sanity (if we have any) we know cannot be broken, but the apparent frustration of which we sit childishly applauding, half believing the apparition will turn out to be a fact.

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Some of them are:

1. Production is the only source of wealth. The world and its people are better off only inasmuch as they increase the human value of the resources at their command, by their physical, mental or spiritual labor.

2. Money is only a medium of exchange, and has no intrinsic value to a human being unless it be to adorn his person with gold or paper his room with paper currency.

3. The only way to get up when you're down is by work; either your own or someone else's. The only way to get out of debt is to produce a surplus.

4. Governments cannot support people. People must support governments for whatever they think they are worth. (Credit line: Col. Theodore Roosevelt.) The only place government can obtain its support is by taxation on production.

5. Wealth is not a completed and measurable commodity, existing in a specific amount and remaining of a fixed value independent of productiveness. Without production it has *no* value. There *is* no wealth.

6. What is spent must be paid. Either before it is spent, while it is being spent, or after it is spent. And before it is paid, it must be earned—created. We can pass it on like a father loafing on the prospects of what his son may earn. But it will have to be paid.

7. Equality of distribution among the individuals of a nation results in each receiving his share *only* of that which there is to be shared. It doesn't increase the total amount. As the total amount becomes less each share becomes less. "Share the wealth" becomes "share the poverty".

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The above seven laws were not made by man, nor can man repeal them. Yet, let us take a look at how he is trying to, and worse yet, how he is making most of us believe he has some remote chance of succeeding.

1. "Production is the only source of wealth." Man has proposed that production be curtailed so that, out of scarcity, each shall have a greater abundance of plenty.

2. "Money is only a medium of exchange and has no intrinsic value". Our professors of jugglery have showed the way to more beef-steaks, pajamas, coal in the bin, books to improve our minds, and other things that men live by, by proclaiming the nation now has more "dollars" than it had before, because each one is worth less and they have printed up new ones to fill the hole.

3. "The only way to get out of debt is to create a surplus." Another way they claim to have discovered is contract a debt in 100 cent dollars and pay it off in 59 cent ones. Not bad, eh?

4. "Government cannot support its people: people must support government." Where will you find the man to-day that hasn't been fooled on that one? "Money from the government", "working for the government", P.W.A., E.R.A., S.O.S.! Sure! The government passes out the pay envelope. But where did it come from. From the accumulated productiveness of a generation that *did* produce, or a future generation which will *have to* produce or starve, to pay—in many cases—for nothing done, no new wealth created (in some cases even for wealth destroyed, e.g. pigs killed or cotton plowed under). That much wealth—stored-up, potential wealth-producing energy—gone out the window: that much less in the total jack-pot which is all there is for *all* of us to share. Not to mention the cost of maintaining this beneficent agency of waste and madness—one third of the nation's earnings!

5. "Wealth is not a completed and measurable commodity." Let all production of all things stop for a year. What use then our "dollars"? Yet the rosy dream persists in many an infant mind of a life of government dollars—from some unplumbed reservior of affluence—in which the recipients toil not, neither do they spin. And do the political necromancers lift a finger to dispel that dream? Not if it means losing a vote.

6. "What is spent must be paid." When we were a boy, it was generally conceded if a man or family went in debt (and ours was no exception), the only way to get out was to "sail close to the wind", "pull in their horns", and do without things. Apparently not so a nation. We can go in debt, then to get out spend ten times as much, make no attempt to go without anything, clamor for just the same luxuries we always had and a few more (electric sewing machines for Tennessee mountaineers), and all of a sudden we'll find the debt is paid off!

7. "Equality of distribution means sharing only what there is to share." Not "dollars", but necessities, comforts and luxuries. And these are produced not by dollars but by work. Yet dollars are given out and little or no work is demanded for them. The total jack-pot is growing smaller. When there is nothing to share, we will all share alike—make no mistake of that.

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When a tooth is too bad to save, there is only one thing to do: have it out. When a dose of bitter medicine, is the only route to feeling well, we swallow it. When we owe a man a hundred dollars and he has a lien on our furniture, we can go without cigarettes or highballs and pay him; or if we are lucky and in earnest, we may be able to work harder or longer and earn more money.

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This nation has a dose of medicine to swallow, and like a kid who is confronted with a spoonful of castor oil, it has bobbled its head from this side to that for six years—and still has its belly-ache. Like the youngster, we want to get rid of our belly-ache, but we want someone else to take the oil. So we're trying—like damned cowards—to pass it on to a future generation.

We're in a hole and we owe money. There are just two things that will get us out of the hole; and a combination of the two will get us out so much the faster:

1. Earn more.
2. Spend less.

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We can earn more only by every man and woman increasing the nation's wealth by doing that which he or she can do best.

We can spend less by knowing that the sooner we do the sooner we'll be on our feet; by not expecting the same luxuries we used to have; and best of all by refusing to support the luxury of a moronic government which takes a third of what we earn and gives us back a value of one cent on the dollar.

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The road leads up a rocky hill but there is no short cut. Let's roll up our sleeves and go to it. For God's sake let's be men once more, not puling, complaining, impotent, and magic-credulous infants.

"SHORTS"

DANA F. KAISER (M) (G Co., 103rd Inf.) can be reached by mail at P.O. Box 907, Boston, Mass.

It may be news to many readers of DOINGS, as it was to your editor, to know that Col. JAMES L. HOWARD (M) (101st M.G. Bn. and Hq., 26th Div.), Vice President of the Travelers Life Insurance Co., of Hartford, is, among other things, an author. In 1930, he published, "Seth Harding, Mariner", a very interesting story of Revolutionary times.

An undated news clipping, sent in by someone from somewhere, contains the information that CHESTER L. SMITH (L Co., 102nd Inf.) of Savannah, Georgia, has been awarded "a government medal" for bravery. Mr. Smith was a former resident of Danbury, Conn., was gassed at Chemin des Dames, lost a

thumb and his left leg in the Aisne-Marne offensive. Although the clipping does not name the medal, it is unquestionably the Purple Heart, as it was bestowed on account of wounds received.

Copies of DOINGS each month cross the Atlantic to England and France, the Pacific to Hawaii, but at least one copy makes a stranger journey than either of these. In remitting his dues, EVAN D. BROWN (M) (101st F.A.) attaches a little note which reads: "This letter is coming out to you by dog-team from up here in the high Sierras—elevation 8600 feet—snow about six feet on the level—proof enclosed." The proof is a snapshot of Brown standing atop the hood of a car with outstretched arm which still comes below the top of the bank of snow at the side. His address is Shaft No. 1 Camp, Mono Basin Project, Bishop, Calif., and we hope the dogs get through with this copy.

EUGENE BATTLES (G Co., 103rd Inf.) writes a line to DANA KAISER (M) from U.S. Veterans Hospital, Castle Point, N.Y., where he has been a gas patient for a year and a half. His home is in Bangor, Maine. Is anxious to hear from JULIAN WHITE and "Bunny", as he is not sure how much longer he will have to stay in the hospital.

It sometimes seems as if hard luck takes a particular fancy to some one man. Last month, DOINGS reported the death, in an airplane crash of Flight Lieut. Donald Gordon McGrew, son of DONALD FRANCIS "DANGEROUS DAN" MCGREW (103rd Inf.), who himself was in a Veterans Hospital at the time. Since then Dan has been in Boston, feeling and looking none too husky, although he says he feels "Great", attending the bedside of his wife who has been operated on at the Lahey Clinic. At last reports, Mrs. McGrew was reported to be improving.

A STORY OF ACCOMPLISHMENT

The Constitution of the Yankee Division Veterans Association has a provision empowering each of the six so-called State Vice Presidents, who, in a way, correspond to Department Commanders in other organizations, to form what is known as a State Headquarters Unit. This purely administrative unit is charged with stimulating the formation of new Chapters within the state, as well as fostering the growth of those which already exist.

During the past year, since the Convention at Rutland, the state of Connecticut has produced an example of what can be accomplished by such a unit when it means business and settles down to do some real plugging. State V.P. BARNEY CLARKE (LM), surrounding himself with such helpers as AL HERMAN (M), LEN MALONEY (M), BILL ADAMS (M), HEN WOODS (M), and others, set out to round-up Connecticut. Last year at Rutland, there was just one Chapter of the Y.D.V.A. in the state—The YD Club of Norwalk (CH). At the moment of writing there are ten, no less, holding charters from the Y.D.V.A., namely: Norwalk, New Milford, Stamford, Waterbury, Valley Chapter, New Haven, Manchester, Hartford, Bridgeport, and Terryville. Chapters are also under way in Bristol, Meriden, Middletown, New Britain, and before Convention time, it is expected others will have been formed in New London, Norwich, Willimantic and elsewhere.

How have they done it? By travelling over the entire state two and three and even four and five nights a week, calling meetings together, addressing them, signing up the members, sending in the dues and application blanks, and requests for Charters. What do they get for it? Nothing but the joy of accomplishment.

What has been done in Connecticut can be done in every other New England state. The whole state is YD-conscious. A trip through would be an eye-opener to any YD man. It is the record of a splendid accomplishment.

For the coming year, the Y.D.V.A. needs six State Vice Presidents who will parallel this achievement. And when there come to be eight or ten or twelve local Chapters in a state; let the State V.P. call monthly meetings of the Chapter presidents, so that he himself in turn, as he attends the meetings of the National Executive Committee, will be close to the problems of his several Chapters.

Never were the prospects more bright for a larger and greater organization. A few men at Headquarters cannot do it all. But with the help of a leader in each state who feels he can really sacrifice one year for the good of the Association, it can be done. Who are these men? Your Nominating Committee wants to know them.

LOCAL NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS OF THE YANKEE DIVISION VETERANS ASSOCIATION

DOINGS is pleased to be able to print for the information of its readers this month, a list of the principal officers of every one of its 28 chartered Chapters, together with their addresses:

NATIONAL & CHAPTER OFFICERS YANKEE DIVISION VETERANS ASSOCIATION

NATIONAL OFFICERS

President: C. BIRD KEACH (M)
132 Lexington Ave., Providence, R.I.
Treasurer: L. H. REDFIELD (M)
Mass. Hosp. Life Ins. Co., 50 State St., Boston, Mass.
Secretary: PHILIP N. SANBORN (M)
YD Club, 200 Huntington Ave., Boston.

CHAPTER OFFICERS

Maine

YD CLUB OF PORTLAND
Chartered June 17, 1932
President: OWEN PERCY BENTON (M)
19 Whitney St., Portland, Maine.
Treasurer: CLAYTON EVANS (M)
Secretary: LEON E. HALL (M)
116 Grant St., Portland, Maine.

YD CLUB OF WATERVILLE
Chartered Sept. 7, 1933
President: ALFRED POIRIER (M)
20 Sherwin Street, Waterville, Maine.
Secretary-Treasurer: RALPH C. BLUNT (M)
Box 152, Waterville, Maine.

New Hampshire

YD CLUB OF MANCHESTER
Chartered March 22, 1933
President: WALTER J. BOARDMAN (M)
29 Manning St., Manchester, N. H.
Treasurer: EUGENE DUGAS (M)
72 Elm St., Manchester, N. H.
Secretary: HAROLD E. MCEWEN (M)
277 Ash St., Manchester, N. H.

YD CLUB OF CONCORD
Chartered April 11, 1933
President: JOHN JORGENSEN (M)
24 Pleasant St., Concord, N. H.
Secretary-Treasurer: GEORGE E. WOODS (M)
Penacook Rd., Concord, N. H.

YD CLUB OF NASHUA Chartered June 16, 1933
President: ELIOT A. CARTER (M)
Elliott St., Nashua, N. H.
Secretary-Treasurer: HARRY J. S. AINSCOW (M)
24 Spring St., Nashua, N. H.

YD CLUB OF KEENE Chartered Dec. 28, 1933
President: GEORGE TAAFE (M)
Gilsum Road, Keene, N. H.
Treasurer: JOHN L. SAUNDERS (M)
Box 14, Keene, N. H.
Secretary: LEROY E. CODDING (M)
47 Russell St., Keene, N. H.

Vermont

YD CLUB OF RUTLAND
Chartered June 22, 1934
President: MARSH B. WHELDEN (M)
135 Bellevue Ave., Rutland, Vt.
Treasurer: FLAVIEN A. ROUSSEAU (M)
251 Horton St., Rutland, Vt.
Secretary: ARTHUR M. FOOTE (M)
59 Evergreen Ave., Rutland, Vt.

Rhode Island

RHODE ISLAND CHAPTER
Chartered Dec. 28, 1933
President: Col. HAROLD R. BARKER (M)
47 Slater Ave., Providence, R. I.
Secretary-Treasurer: WILLIAM F. ANDREWS (M)
232 Brown St., Providence, R. I.

Massachusetts

YD CLUB OF BOSTON Chartered in 1920
President: ROBERT DUNCAN JR. (M)
80 Bowdoin St., Dorchester, Mass.
Secretary-Treasurer: JOSEPH J. GALLIGAN (M)
YD Club, 200 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.

YD CLUB OF SPRINGFIELD
Chartered June 17, 1932
President: BENJAMIN E. JOHNSON (M)
112 Acushnet Ave., Springfield, Mass.
Treasurer: ROBERT SPENGLER (M)
Maple Road, East Longmeadow, Mass.
Secretary: JULIAN F. MARTINDALE (M)
70 Belmont Ave., West Springfield, Mass.

YD CLUB OF LYNN Chartered January 10, 1933
President: EDWARD A. SAULNIER (M)
11 Congress St., Lynn, Mass.
Secretary-Treasurer: A. RAYMOND DOUCETTE (M)
1 Everett St., Lynn, Mass.

YD CLUB OF LAWRENCE
Chartered June 16, 1933
President: JOHN EDWARD WHEELER (M)
73 Bromfield St., Lawrence, Mass.
Treasurer: WILLIAM A. BROWN (M)
26 Union St., Methuen, Mass.
Secretary: WILLIAM F. COTTER (M)
43 Ames St., Lawrence, Mass.

YD CLUB OF BROCKTON
Chartered Nov. 5, 1934
President: A. LEROY LATHAM (M)
33 Madison St., Brockton, Mass.
Secretary-Treasurer: HENRY A. BEAUDREAU (M)
10 Hunt St., Brockton, Mass.

YD CLUB OF HOLYOKE
Chartered October 2, 1934
President: PHILIPPE P. MATHIEU (M)
335 Linden St., Holyoke, Mass.
Treasurer: BERTRAM C. J. WARNER (M)
R.F.D. No. 1, Holyoke, Mass.
Secretary: THOMAS E. KIRKPATRICK (M)
55 St. Jerome Ave., Holyoke, Mass.

YD CLUB OF WORCESTER
Chartered Nov. 5, 1934
President: DANIEL A. JONES (M)
116 Summer St., Worcester, Mass.
Treasurer:
Secretary: EDWIN J. NOYES (M)
8 Abbott St., Worcester, Mass.

Connecticut

YD CLUB OF NORWALK
Chartered March 6, 1934
President: ALBERT W. HERMAN (M)
3 Alden Ave., East Norwalk, Conn.
Treasurer:
Secretary: HENRY E. WOODS (M)
154 Gregory Blvd., East Norwalk, Conn.

YD CLUB OF NEW MILFORD
Chartered August 16, 1934
President: ALBERT C. TRAUTMANN (M)
New Milford, Conn.
Treasurer: HARRY A. WORLEY (M)
New Milford, Conn.
Secretary: RAYMOND RYDELL (M)
New Milford, Conn.

VALLEY CHAPTER Chartered Jan. 23, 1935
President: FRANK J. AHERN (M)
79 Bank St., Ansonia, Conn.
Treasurer: FREDERICK HUMMEL (M)
15 North St., Seymour, Conn.
Secretary: PETER MUCHISKY (M)
70 Spruce St., Seymour, Conn.

YD CLUB OF WATERBURY
Chartered Jan. 23, 1935
President: FREDERICK W. ROWE (M)
Cit. & Mfg. Nat. Bank, Waterbury, Conn.
Treasurer: CHARLES P. LADUE (M)
2602 East Main St., Waterbury, Conn.
Secretary: JEREMIAH J. GRIFFIN (M)
133 Wall St., Waterbury, Conn.

YD CLUB OF STAMFORD
Chartered Jan. 23, 1935
President: CALVIN F. MORRELL (M)
186 Franklin St., Stamford, Conn.
Secretary-Treasurer: JOHN S. CAVOLICK (M)
27 West St., Stamford, Conn.

YD CLUB OF NEW HAVEN
Chartered Jan. 23, 1935
President: Gen. JAMES A. HAGGERTY (M)
155 Norton St., New Haven, Conn.
Treasurer: RALPH L. BISHOP (M)
236 Allston St., New Haven, Conn.
Secretary: FRANK P. LEE (M)
84 Clifton St., New Haven, Conn.

YD CLUB OF MANCHESTER
Chartered Feb. 28, 1935
President: WILLIAM EARL CHAMBERS (M)
183 Woodside Ter., Springfield, Mass.
Treasurer: HAROLD J. DOUGAN (M)
116 East Center St., Manchester, Conn.
Secretary: CLARENCE R. WETHERELL (M)
123 Wells St., Manchester, Conn.

YD CLUB OF BRIDGEPORT
Chartered April 30, 1935
President: GEORGE W. WATT (M)
562 Seaview Ave., Bridgeport, Conn.
Treasurer: JOHN T. ELLIANO (M)
1853 Stratford Ave., Bridgeport, Conn.
Secretary: JOHN H. SCHULTZE, (M)
424 Summit St., Bridgeport, Conn.

YD CLUB OF TERRYVILLE
Chartered April 30, 1935
President: OTTO HARBERT (M)
Box 574, Terryville, Conn.
Treasurer: STANLEY C. GOSINSKI (M)
27 Hickory St., Terryville, Conn.
Secretary: LAWRENCE R. BATES (M)
28 Maple St., Terryville, Conn.

YD CLUB OF HARTFORD
Chartered April 30, 1935
President: EDGAR F. MILLER (M)
24 Le May St., West Hartford, Conn.
Treasurer: WILLIAM L. SULLIVAN (M)
590 Maple Ave., Hartford, Conn.
Secretary: EDWARD PACKTOR (M)
15 Standish St., Hartford, Conn.

Outside New England

YD CLUB OF WASHINGTON
Chartered Feb. 24, 1925
President: PAUL L. HUTCHINS (M)
2705 So. Dakota Ave., NE, Washington, D.C.

Treasurer: BYRON G. CARSON (M)
1010 Vermont Ave., Washington, D.C.
Secretary: LEVI W. ST. PETER (M)
2515 30th Street NE, Washington, D.C.

YD CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
Chartered June 17, 1932
President: ROBERT R. NORRIS (M)
354 East 59th Place, Los Angeles, Calif.
Treasurer: Dr. MARSHALL A. WELBOURN (M)
1930 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles.
Secretary: GEORGE K. MITCHELL (M)
824 Cresthaven Dr., Los Angeles, Cal.

YD CLUB OF CHICAGO
Chartered June 16, 1933
President: THOMAS H. SHEPPARD (M)
161 West Harrison St., Chicago, Ill.
Treasurer: EDMUND D. O'CONNELL (M)
7919 So. Union Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Secretary: CLARENCE A. BUSH (M)
8143 Manistee Ave., Chicago, Ill.

MAINE

YD CLUB OF PORTLAND (CH)

Strictly speaking, there has been no news despatch from the YD Club of Portland (CH) since the last issue of DOINGS. Several members' dues have been received. But the Club Auxiliary has come to bat as pinch-hitter, and here is what they have to say:

The Auxiliary of the YD Club of Portland (CH) held its annual Installation of Officers on April 9, at the home of Mrs. Elton P. Walker, Mrs Nellie Worthen, Past President, acting as installing officer. The following officers were installed:

President: Mrs. Miriam Tyler (Mrs. ORIN H. TYLER).

Vice President: Mrs. Anne Walker (Mrs. ELTON P. WALKER).

Secretary: Mrs. Edna Morrell (Mrs. GEORGE W. MORRELL).

Treasurer: Mrs. Grace Keating.

Chaplain: Mrs. Ruth Witham (Mrs. PERCY R. W. WITHAM).

Sgt.-at-Arms: Mrs. Hazel Martin.

Trustee for 2 years: Mrs. Clarell Lovejoy.

Gifts were presented to the retiring President, Mrs. Edna Hagar, and the installing officer. Bouquets were presented to Mrs. Hagar, Mrs. Worthen, Mrs. Witham and Mrs. Tyler. After the meeting Beano was played.

A delightful luncheon was served by the hostesses: Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Alice Evans and Mrs. Virginia Long. Other members present were: Mrs. Georgia Benton, Mrs. Grace Doucette, Mrs Edna Erickson, Mrs. Cora Woodbury, and one guest, Mrs. Maguire.

Three members of the staff: Mesdames Morrell, Keating and Martin, are Past Presidents of the Auxiliary.

The next meeting, May 14, will be held with Mrs. Grace Doucette as hostess. A large number of YD ladies in Greater Portland are not affiliated with us. If any of them have not been asked to join it is an oversight on our part: they are cordially invited to join the Auxiliary and help give the old Yankee Division a boost.

Many of our members are planning to attend the Convention in New Haven. Perhaps we'll "be seeing you." Best wishes to the Y.D.V.A., its many Chapters and all other members of the old YD.

(Mrs.) Miriam Tyler

YD CLUB OF WATERVILLE, ME. (CH)

No report has come to DOINGS since the last issue. Please appoint a correspondent.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

YD CLUB OF MANCHESTER, N. H. (CH)

On the evening of March 30, this Chapter "threw" a party for President SAM MOFFITT (M) who was leaving Manchester for Danville, Va., to accept a new position there.

Twenty-six men from the 26th showed up at the Carpenter Hotel for a swell feed, after which President MOFFITT (M) was presented with a travelling bag. In his words of acceptance Sam expressed his regrets upon leaving Manchester and cordially thanked the members for the support they had given him.

We started a year ago under said Sam Moffitt with very limited resources, but thanks to his initiative and the hearty support of the members, we closed the year with ample resources and a very active membership.

BILL SAYERS (M) was toastmaster and called upon EUSTIS PERRON (M), "DOC" DRURY (M), WALTER BOARDMAN (M) and others who wished Sam success in his new position with the Dan River Mills. It may seem unbelievable, but it was a dry party. I for one can say that I was proud to be one of such a gathering, as many people seem to think ex-service men always have to get lit to show

themselves in public.

At our regular meeting on April 6, Vice President WALTER J. BOARDMAN (M) was elected President, and MARTIN HOLLERAN (M) elected to fill Boardman's place as V.P. Eight members' dues were collected and the members were instructed to go out and get more. We are looking forward to a big year, and hope to beat last year's record. Many of the boys are planning to attend the New Haven Convention, and we intend to make a good showing. After the meeting, a lunch was put on with GENE DUGAS (M), ANDREW DOBBIE (M), and H. E. MCEWEN (M) on the committee. President BOARDMAN (M) promised an extra fine time at the May meeting, with himself as master of ceremonies.

—H. E. McE. (M)

YD CLUB OF CONCORD, N. H. (CH)

No news has been received since the last issue of DOINGS. Please keep DOINGS informed.

YD CLUB OF KEENE (CH)

At a meeting held on April 6 at Legion Headquarters in Keene, the following officers were elected for the next six months:

President: GEORGE TAAFE (M) (G Co., 103rd Inf.)
1st V.P.: MICHAEL ZALUKI (M) (A Co., 103rd Inf.)
Secretary: LEROY E. CODDING (M) (H Co., 103rd Inf.)
Treasurer: J. LAWRENCE SAUNDERS (M) (G Co., 103rd Inf.)

CHARLES F. LEAHY (M), Past President and organizer of the Club was drafted for publicity man, so here goes:

The meeting was snappy, due to the steam-roller tactics of "Big Dan" EMERY (M), former president. The Chapter voted to award a medal (perhaps leather) to some student of the public schools for an essay pertaining to the World War. This matter is now in committee, and further report will be made at the next meeting.

President TAAFE (M) was called on for a few remarks concerning his plans and programs for the next six months. He impressed the members with the one thought: "Carry On for the Old YD".

Our retiring Secretary, JAMES A. WINN (M) was given a vote of thanks for the good work he has done since the formation of the Chapter. Both Past Presidents EMERY (M) and LEAHY (M) spoke very highly of his work (and gave him hell for resigning.)

Voted that the President should send his picture to New Haven for the souvenir program, at his own expense.

There will be short sketches of the life and habits of former YD men who are members of the Keene Chapter, from issue to issue; also the story of the "Dedication of the Bawl" with footnotes by Comrades RIEL (M) and WORCESTER (M).

—C. F. L. (M)

YD CLUB OF NASHUA (CH)

No news report has been received since the last issue of DOINGS. Get going again, Nashua: you can do it.

VERMONT

YD CLUB OF RUTLAND (CH)

The YD Club of Rutland (CH) held a meeting on April 11. As a pep-letter par excellence we submit the following appeal which was sent out to 32 potential members in the vicinity by the Chapter Secretary, ARTHUR M. FOOTE (M). If a man can turn down an appeal like this, he's dead, that's all—"Ole Bill" ADAMS (M) to the contrary notwithstanding.

Dear friend:

Once upon a time you and I and others of similar failings called each other "Buddies" and meant it.

Once upon a time we did our stuff together; we read our shirts, we fell through broken duck boards; we slept in mud; we borrowed the makin's; we counted flares; we shaved in coffee; but what of it?

I don't suppose there's one in a hundred of us who really is proud of it, why should we be? But deep down in your heart, I'll stake a pint of XXX Hennessey on it, you would enjoy meeting some of the old bunch again. Do I win? All right here's the story.

Your own local YD Club needs you if it is only for an ornament. Every one of your old bunch *feels just as you do.* Not for glory, not for gain; only just to see if you are as bad a liar as you used to be. They are anxious to take a look at you. They want to slap you on the back again and finish that argument the bugler cut short seventeen years ago. Remember?

I am, as secretary of your own pretty well shot local YD Club, asking you and thirty one others, whose names and addresses I have, to drop in at the local Chamber of Commerce rooms in the Mead Building on Merchants Row at 7 P.M., April 11th,—mark the calendar.

If you can't spare but a few minutes, or if you can spend an hour, I'm staking the price of stamps and the price of the time to write these letters against you failing the rest of your gang. If you've got the price of the dues, I'll see you get a receipt for them; if you haven't got a nickel, don't bring it. Your treasurer isn't after your money as much as he is after you. Seventeen years is a long time to keep from calling a lad buddy, and mean it when you say it.

Some of us have damn good jobs—some of us have tough ones—and some of us aren't worth a job. Let's just level off for an hour on April 11th, 7 P.M.

Let's go—Up and at 'em.

Following the meeting a letter from Secretary FOOTE (M), enclosing dues of 6 members FLAVIAN A. ROUSSEAU (M), B. MARSH WHELDEN (M), ADOLPHUS FERDINAND GHIO (M), ARTHUR MUNSON FOOTE (M), RAYMOND COCKLIN (M) and CLARENCE QUINN (M), read in part:

This gives Rutland a paid up membership of six members, the results of our first real meeting. We are just winding up the old boy.

The writer really expects to have a little more money for you within the next week or ten days with the idea in mind of getting our "good ole charter", and putting Rutland on the map again. We're getting the feeling, and we're getting the idea; give us just a little more time and the old Charter will be in our desk instead of yours.

MASSACHUSETTS

YD CLUB OF BOSTON (CH)

Regular Meeting of the
BOARD OF GOVERNORS

April 1, 1935.

After general discussion, a suggestion, favored by all present, was advanced to the effect that the Secretary should post, on the Bulletin Board of the Club, a summary of all important items in the minutes of the meetings of the Governing Board.

The Treasurer was empowered to renew the necessary and customary insurance.

A Building Committee was appointed by the President and approved by the Board. This Committee will advise the Board in all matters pertaining to the proper maintenance of the Memorial Building.

The Building Committee and the Manager are to proceed with the modernization of fire-escape system and elimination of fire hazards, in accordance with preliminary estimates already made.

An estimate will be secured on the cost of modernizing the toilet reserved for ladies, i.e. the toilet on the second-floor landing. Also an estimate on the cost of furnishing sufficient ash-tray stands or bowls to accommodate the membership.

The Secretary was instructed to recommend to the Building Committee that a survey be made with a view to determining the cost of cleaning and painting the Memorial Hall.

Mr. Frank A. Spooner, 104th Infantry, submitted his written resignation as a Director whose term would have expired March 31, 1936. The resignation was accepted with regret.

Mr. John F. Regan, 104th Infantry, was elected to the Board of Governors, as a Director, to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Frank A. Spooner, resigned. This action was in accordance with the provisions of Article III, Section 4, of the By-Laws of the Club.

The Manager was instructed to have a gate hung in the Club office, at the counter, also, to have a sign bearing the word "Office" posted on the door. Further, to have a sign posted which would request the members to kindly refrain from using the office as a social meeting-place.

There was a general discussion of all suggestions made at the Annual Meeting last month. Many of them will be incorporated in the plans now being formulated by the Board.

It was VOTED that, if any three members in good standing notify the Manager of objectionable conduct on the part of any member, it shall be mandatory upon the Manager to formally present such charge to the Board of Governors. The Manager may also present such a charge without substantiation of members.

After a general discussion, the President, with the advice and unanimous approval of the Board, named the following Committees:

Building Committee

Mr. ALBERT W. BERNARD, *Chairman;* Mr. L. H. REDFIELD, MR. ALFRED BECK, JR.

Auditing Committee

Mr. A. M. PACIFICI, *Chairman;* Mr. RALPH M. EASTMAN.

House Committee

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((M's) omitted)

Mr. Galligan was relieved of the Chairmanship at his own request in order that he might be able to devote proper attention to other Club business.

It was generally agreed that the appointment of the Membership Committee should be deferred until the next meeting.

The foregoing are the principal items of interest to the general membership.

The meeting convened at 8:25 p.m.; adjourned at 12:20 a.m.

—ROBERT DUNCAN, JR. (M)
President

JOSEPH J. GALLIGAN (M),
Secretary

May 1, 1935.

Summary of
Statement of Receipts & Expenditures
for April, 1935.

Cash on Hand March 31, 1935	$ 41,84
Cash Receipts—April	1,391.99
	1,433.83
Cash Disbursements—April	1,417.19
Cash on Hand April 30, 1935	16.64

Cash on Hand

Active Bank Account	$16.64
Petty Cash Fund	10.00
Beano Committee	55.56
Total	$82.20
Accounts Payable, as of April 30, 1935	$792.86*
Accounts Receivable, as of April 30, 1935	190.67

* About $200.00 of this will be remitted when adjustment is made on Insurance account.

Membership

Close of April, 1935	179
Close of April, 1934	171

—JOSEPH J. GALLIGAN (M),
Treasurer.

Smoker

The regular April Smoker was held on the night of the 25th. The guest speaker was Mr. Rudman: his topic "I Am Still Rich"; an inspirational talk which was well received and worthy of the applause which it received.

YD CLUB OF BROCKTON (CH)

Friday evening, April 26, the State Armory at Brockton was the scene of probably as pretty and successful YD event as has ever been put over by any YD Chapter anywhere. And this isn't Brockton talking—it is your National Secretary and editor. "Vas you dere, Sharlie?" Yuh, we was dere; and it was GOOD with a capital G.

The event in question was a costume party, and what a costume party. We were having too good a time to count, but honestly there must have been seven or eight hundred people there: old YD with the ladies, many in costume, others not; new YD in uniform, townsfolk, other local organizations in Brockton, and visitors from outside.

You know, we just have to ramble on like this, 'cause we can't give credit where credit is due, not knowing the names of the committee who put this splendid affair over, and good old HENRY BEAUDREAU (M) the regular correspondent for the Chapter not having come to bat as yet with the inside info. But we're pretty sure Henry was one of 'em, Pres. ROY LATHAM (M) another and WIN LLOYD (M) another. Come to think of it the names of the committeemen were given in last month's DOINGS, all except one, whose name on the carbon copy we got came over the edge and we couldn't read it.

To get back on the main line, there were over 100 tables (maybe it was over 500) around the edges of the big drill floor, where the bloated plutocrats of the crowd sat at ease—when no dancing—eating sandwiches, drinking ginger ale and other beverages. Up on a raised platform at one end the band played away like mad, and the riot of color (poor, old outworn expression) of the hundreds of picturesque costumes, beneath the truly splendid decorations (all done by a member of the Chapter) made a picture to stay in one's mind a long time.

There were several floor show acts—lively and good. But the grand march, while three judges picked out ten costumes worthy of prizes was the highlight of the evening. Here again your reporter is somewhat handicapped, for altho he was one of the judges, and it was a darn diplomatic thing that he DIDN'T know who from which, yet now, trying to write about it, it is quite a handicap. Anyhow there were prizes for Best Costume, Funniest Costume, Most Original, Best Impersonation, and Special; each in double, one for men, one for women.

(And by the way, who IS that little girl who wore the mosquito net skirt. Boy, she had two good reasons for picking THAT rig.)

Well anyhow, it was one grand shindig; and if Henry comes to bat with some of the particulars, we'll append them below. Great work, Brockton!

—P. N. S. (M)

YD CLUB OF SPRINGFIELD (CH)

At the election of officers for the Springfield YD Club held last month, practically the same officers were re-elected for the coming year. .The following are the past and present officers:

Pres.: BENJAMIN E. JOHNSON (M)
1st V.P.: ROSWELL PATCH (M)
Sec.: JULIAN MARTINDALE (M).
Treas.: ROBERT SPENGLER (M)
Judge Advocate: ANTHONY SANNELLA (M)
Chaplain: RAYMOND FULLER (M)
Hon. Chaplain: REV. FATHER CONNOR (M)
Historian: FRANK LARROW (M)
Director for 3 years: LEO JAQUES (M)
Director for 2 years: EDWARD BETTER JR. (M)
Director for 1 year: JAMES ARMESON (M)

At the last three or four meetings, much has been discussed and accomplished. We are trying mixing up the meetings with a variety of refreshments and entertainment after all business has been transacted, the refreshments consisting of plenty of beer and cheese sandwiches. We are planning to run a series of regimental nights. The first, which took place the first Monday in April, was 104th Night, mainly because of the forthcoming reunion of that outfit which takes place in Athol, Mass., on April 26 & 27. According to present predictions a banner time is expected for all those who attend this event. I might add that these 104th Reunions seem to be getting bigger and better each year.

Now that the winter is well over, plans will be formulated for our annual pilgrimages to the various Veterans hospitals in this vicinity (although at the present writing winter still seems to be holding sway. Much snow has fallen here in the last 24 hours.) There is very little to report at this time but indications at present point to a lot more for next month.

—B. E. JOHNSON (M)

YD CLUB OF LYNN (CH)

With ROY KNOX (M) as Chairman, assisted by CLAUDE HOAG (M), LEON VARNAM (M), HAROLD GUPPY (M), CLAYTON PEVEAR (M) and RAY DOUCETTE (M), the YD Club of Lynn (CH) is engaged on an intensive drive for members—members of the Y.D.V.A. as well as of the local Chapter.

Teams of two men each are devoting one evening a week to contacting at least five prospective members. Already results are showing, and LYNN STANDS NEXT TO BOSTON AMONG THE 28 CHAPTERS OF THE ASSOCIATION IN THE NUMBER OF PAID-UP MEMBERS IN THE Y.D.V.A. ON APRIL 30.

THOMAS CURRAN (M) gave a pep-talk at the first April meeting, urging not only Y.D.V.A. membership, but asking every man to register now for the New Haven Convention.

The Ladies Auxiliary are holding a Beano Party May 25th at the Club and receipts will be turned over to Memorial Day Committee, Miss Marie Dee is chairman, assisted by Mrs. Sarah Day, Helen Doucette, Lillian Saulnier, Mary Guppy, Mae Callahan, Sarah Knox, Irene Cass, Annie Curry.

A very successful party was held at the home of DOC CROWELL (M) in Nahant, April 29th, with about 60 present. Doctor Don Gordon showed movies of South America and some YD pictures. Prizes were won at Beano by Mrs. Mae Callahan, Mrs. Arthur Pierce, GUSTAVE JOHNSON (M), Mrs. Sarah Knox. Mrs. Frances Crowell acted as hostess, assisted by the Ladies Auxiliary.

JOHN SULLIVAN (M) heads the Convention Committee assisted by ROY KNOX (M), CLAYTON PEVEAR (M), THOMAS CURRAN (M), DOCTOR HAROLD CROWELL (M), RAYMOND DOUCETTE (M) and it is expected that close to 100 will attend from Lynn.

—A. R. D. (M)

YD CLUB OF HOLYOKE (CH)

No news report has been received. What's wrong, Holyoke, we're looking for you to stage a comeback.

YD CLUB OF WORCESTER (CH)

At the April 11 meeting, Dr. Haskell Talamo, M.D. was guest speaker; his topic: "Heaven, Hell or Hitler". A large and enthusiastic meeting attended.

"The Hitler government, for the most part, is composed of out-and-out liars," said Dr. Talamo. "They have proved this in their continual denial of any sort of armaments or military strength."

Traveling or studying, Dr. Talamo has spent some time in Germany, having made four trips there since 1923, the last about a year ago.

Dr. Talamo traced the development of Hilter's party from October, 1933, up to its becoming one of the leading political parties solely because of Hitler's methods "of appealing to dissatisfied elements."

William H. Thornton, liason officer of the Worcester Veterans' Council, spoke briefly on the plan to guarantee all veterans military funerals. Comdr. DANIEL A. JONES (M), presided.

We have invited LEN MALONEY (M), Chm. of

the New Haven Convention Committee to address the next meeting, May 9th, in the Council Chambers City Hall, Worcester.

—E. J. N. (M)

CONNECTICUT

YD CLUB OF NORWALK (CH)

When it comes to putting over a banquet commemorating the Battle of Seicheprey for the sixteenth time in succession, all hats must come off to the officers and members of this Chapter. The Wayside Inn on the Post Road in Norwalk was the scene of the largest banquet ever held by this Chapter, and we had for the first time in history of any Chapter in Connecticut, our National President C. BIRD KEACH (M) and Mrs. Keach; National Sec'y PHIL SANBORN (M) and Mrs. Sanborn, and Major LEN MALONEY (M) the General Chairman for the 1935 Convention of the YD. They were ably attended to by Connecticut's Vice President, BARNEY CLARKE (LM). You have read and heard of four-star books, stories and movies; well we had the four stars of the Yankee Division with us the same evening.

Many of the old members informed the writer that this affair is getting bigger and better each year, and if things go on in the same way it will be a matter of time only when it will have to be held in the Armory in Norwalk. The guests of the evening began to arrive at an early hour and formed their own parties at tables which had their city or town name placement cards in the center of an attractive bowl of Spring flowers. At 8:30 p.m. President ALBERT HERMAN (M) gave the signal to the leader of the orchestra, who started a lively march for the distinguished guests to proceed to the speaker's table, which was a mass of flowers and draped in front with the YD sign in blue and white. AL HERMAN (M) in a brief opening speech introduced Major LEONARD J. MALONEY (M) as the Toastmaster for the evening, and a most wonderful job he put over when one takes into consideration that the large dining room was filled, and many more were coming in and being placed by the Floor Committees.

The first speaker of the evening was Mayor Charles Swartz of the City of Norwalk, who extended the Keys of the City to the vast gathering in a very neat and pleasing speech that touched the hearts of his hearers. Major MALONEY (M) read a telegram from Col. HARRY BISSELL (M) saying that due to another engagement he was sorry that he could not make Norwalk. General L. QUINN also sent a wire expressing his regrets at not being able to attend, and wished all a very happy evening.

Mrs. Albert Herman, Past President of the Norwalk YD Auxiliary, was presented with a gold YD pin by her members for the wonderful work that she had done during the year that has passed. Mrs. Henry Poirier presented the Incoming Auxiliary President, Mrs. William Whitney with a bouquet of roses from the ladies of the Local YD.

Major MALONEY (M) introduced our National Secretary, and as many of the YD boys had not met him, he received a long round of applause from the diners as well as from the many friends of the YD boys present. Phil told his hearers how the late Gen. Edwards became the head of the YD, and the many problems he had to face and iron out before the Division was ready to start for France. Phil told his hearers that this Norwalk gang surely were the miracle men of the YD, that this affair was an eye-opener, that he would not be surprised if the State of Connecticut had Twenty Chapters before the Convention, and that 17 or 18 years after the War the old YD boys were coming to realize that a YD Chapter was the proper place for them. The marvellous introduction and history of the YD that he told was well taken, and as he sat down a round of applause told him that his message was one that the men had been looking for and wanted to hear for some time. National Vice President BARNEY CLARKE (LM) greeted the diners, and told them that if they wanted to see the old YD in its true form and strength they would have to come to New Haven for the last three days in June.

General J. HAGGERTY (M) told of his enjoyment of being present, and told his hearers that if ever a Chapter deserved congratulations for its energy in the interests of the YD it was the Norwalk Chapter.

National President BIRD KEACH (M) presented AL HERMAN (M) with a gift from his pals in the Norwalk Chapter, and Al thanked all for their kind thoughts.

The National President was the next speaker, and the reception he received from the standing crowd of diners was well worth travelling from such a distant point to receive. He gave a most interesting account of his traveling about the New England States in the interest of the YD, and said that if the other States had as many Chapters as Connecticut, it would look as though very near all of the old YD men had come back into the fold. He expressed the opinion that the Convention in New Haven this summer will be the largest Convention that the city has ever had, seen, or will ever have and told his hearers that he was simply amazed at the way BARNEY CLARKE (LM) with the aid of AL HERMAN (M), had built up the State with Chapters.

Toastmaster MALONEY (M) called upon the following to take a bow, as he said that he knew that

many wanted to have a dance and a good time. The following stood up as their names were called GEORGE WATT (M), C. MORRELL (M), J. ELLIANO (M), M. MCDERMOTT (M), L. BIGELOW (M), HOWARD FLOOD (M), Dr. SPRAGUE (M), Capt. WHITNEY (M), (who was celebrating his birthday and both he and Mrs. Whitney were celebrating their 25th Wedding Anniversary also).

Chapters from Stamford, New Milford, Bridgeport, New Haven, Hartford, sent a goodly representation, and YD men from Ridgefield, Danbury, New York, swelled the attendance to make merry the sixteenth banquet of the first Connecticut Chapter under the National Rulings. The merrymakers started to wend their way home by the aid of an April moon, happy and contented that they had one fine time and making informal arrangements to meet in June.

—"OLD BILL" ADAMS (M)

YD CLUB OF NEW MILFORD, CONN. (CH)

No news since the last issue of DOINGS except the dues of five members, a full 50% of last year's total membership. (New Milford is not very large, you know.) Let's hear if you're having any meetings, fellows.

YD CLUB OF MANCHESTER, CONN. (CH)

After several meetings which were poorly attended, we finally got enough of the boys together to make some progress on the matter of joining the National Organization. I am sorry I could not get things rolling before this. You know that to get a bunch of Vets to do anything you have to step on their toes hard.

Enclosed you will find a list of those who have joined the National Organization, also new applicants and necessary fees.

We had quite a talk on our last meeting regarding the installation. Major MALONEY (M), BARNEY CLARKE (M) and AL HERMAN (M) were here and gave us a pep talk. We expect to have our installation May 11th, a Committee is working on same.

We would like to have as our installing Officer, BARNEY CLARKE (M), because he had a lot to do with pepping the boys up.

The following are the duly elected officers of this Chapter:

President: WM E. CHAMBERS (M).
1st-Vice Pres.: BERTIE MOSELEY (M).
2nd Vice Pres.: EDWARD G. FRAZIER (M).
Secretary: CLARENCE R. WETHERELL (M).
Treasurer: HAROLD J. DOUGAN (M).
Sgt.-at-Arms: WM J. SHIELDS (M).
Historian: JOHN WADDELL (M).
Trustees: FRANK J. BLANCHARD (M), DAVID MCCOLLUM (M) and ARTHUR E. MCCANN (M).

—C. R. W. (M)

YD CLUB OF WATERBURY, CONN. (CH)

No news report since the last issue of DOINGS. Come on, FRED ROWE (M), JERRY GRIFFIN (M) or whoever it is that is charged with acting as correspondent. How did that Seicheprey dinner go? What else you doin'?

YD CLUB OF STAMFORD, CONN. (CH)

Installation of newly elected officers in Spanish War Veterans Room, State Armory, South St., Stamford, Friday evening, March 29th, at 9 P.M.

The installing officer was President AL HERMAN (M) of YD Chapter, Norwalk and the Norwalk Chapter Drill Team.

Meeting called to order by CALVIN MORRELL (M), President-elect of the Stamford Chapter.

After introductory remarks of greetings the gavel was turned over to President HERMAN (M), who, with team, proceeded to install the Stamford officers.

These were as follows:
President: CALVIN MORRELL (M).
1st Vice President: A. JOSEPH DALY (M).
2nd Vice President: ALBERT BAKER (M).
Secretary *pro tem.*: VINCENT CALLAHAN (M).
Treasurer: JOHN CAVOLICK (M),
Chaplain: HARRY DUNN (M).
Sgt.-at-Arms: JOHN RYBA (M).
President MORRELL (M) now in chair.

Communications from Y.D.V.A., National Headquarters in Boston, Central Veterans Ass'n of Stamford and telegram from C. BIRD KEACH (M) of Providence, National President of the Y.D.V.A. read, received and placed on file.

A rising vote of thanks was given the Norwalk Drill Team for their impressive installation ceremony.

Under the "good of the organization" the following were called on and spoke:

BARNEY CLARKE (LM), National Vice President, Y.D.V.A., (Connecticut).

AL HERMAN (M), President Norwalk Chapter.

AL TRAUTMANN (M), Pres. New Milford Chapter.

HERB STANDEN (M), 1st Vice Pres. Bridgeport Chapter.

HARRY DUNN (M), Commander American Legion, Stamford.

VINCENT CALLAHAN (M), Past Commander American Legion, Stamford.

CARL PAIGHT (M), Stamford Chapter.

RAY MACNICHOL (M), Adjutant American Legion, Stamford.

CHARLES V. HANLEY, Stamford Chapter.

JOSEPH A. RICH (M), Bridgeport Chapter.

WILLIAM H. WHITNEY, Norwalk Chapter.

Comrade MACNICHOL (M) announced a YD Card Party at his home April 5th (this was later changed to American Legion Rooms, 408 Main St.). Committee on arrangements included Comrades MULREED,

PAIGHT (M), HAYES and HANLEY. Comrade HERMAN (M) announced the Seicheprey Banquet and Dance, Wayside Inn, Norwalk, Saturday evening April 20th.

After closing ceremonies, meeting adjourned for refreshments and entertainment with 52 members and visitors present.

VINCENT CALLAHAN (M),
Secretary pro. tem.

JOHN CAVOLICK (M) has since been elected Secretary, as well as Treasurer.

YD CLUB OF NEW HAVEN (CH)

DOINGS has received little really "Chapter" news from New Haven, but good gosh, what can you expect from a city with a Convention on its hands! Dues from the New Haven Chapter have been coming in well.

YD CLUB OF BRIDGEPORT, CONN. (CH)

A charter to the YD Club of Bridgeport, establishing it as a Chapter of the Y.D.V.A. was granted on April 30, by the National Executive Committee.

Present membership in Y.D.V.A.: (as of April 30) . . . 16. But growing all the time.

Following are the officers:

President: GEORGE W. WATT (M).
1st V.P.: JOSEPH A. RICH (M).
2nd V.P.: ROBERT R. REYBURN (M).
Secretary: JOHN H. SCHULTZ (M).
Treasurer: JOHN T. ELLIANO (M).
Chaplain: ALBERT AHERN (M).
Trustees: SAMUEL A. MARCUS (M) and Dr. CHARLES H. SPRAGUE (M).
Historian: W. HERBERT STANDEN (M).
Sgt.-at-Arms: JOHN G. FAGERHOLM (M).

The Charter has been forwarded to Vice President BARNEY CLARKE (LM) for formal presentation, at a date to be announced.

YD CLUB OF HARTFORD (CH)

A Charter establishing the YD Club of Hartford (CH) as a Chapter of the Y.D.V.A. was granted on April 30, by the National Executive Committee.

Following are the Chapter officers:

President: EDGAR F. MILLER (M).
1st V.P.: JOSEPH FOLEY (M).
2nd V.P.: JOSEPH ORIENT (M).
Secretary: EDWARD PACTOR (M).
Treasurer: WILLIAM SULLIVAN (M).
Trustees: JAMES YACAVONE (M), EDWARD DION (M).
Sgt.-at-Arms: CARL BANKS (M).
Historian: RATCLIFFE HILLS (M).
Chaplain: JAMES LEONARD (M).

Charter has been forwarded to National V. P. BARNEY CLARKE (LM) for formal presentation at a date to be announced. More news of Hartford Chapter later.

"MARSHALL DONALD LEACH CHAPTER, Y.D.V.A." (CH) TERRYVILLE, CONN.

A Chapter establishing the YD Club of Terryville, (CH), called in memory of a YD man of that town who lost his life in service: "The Marshall Donald Leach Chapter", as a Chapter of the Y.D.V.A., was granted on April 30, by the National Executive Committee.

Following are the officers elected:

President: OTTO HARBERT (M).
1st V.P.: RAYMOND NORTH (M).
2nd V.P.: MICHAEL OLIE (M).
Secretary: LAWRENCE BATES (M).
Treasurer: STANLEY GOSINSKI (M).
Historian: STANLEY PLOSKI (M).
Trustees: PATRICK RYAN (M) and AUGUSTUS LUMBARD (M).

Other Chapter members are: WALTER L. TURBERG (M), GEORGE J. ROHE (M), and HARRY R. MAHONEY (M).

There are probably not over twenty-five YD men in the area of this Chapter, if that many, but they intend to stick close together. Best of luck from grand-pap Y.D.V.A.! Please appoint a DOINGS correspondent.

YD CLUB OF BRISTOL, CONN.

With the gathering honored with the presence of Mayor Joseph Dottom; Col. HARRY BISSELL (M), Major LEONARD MALONEY (M), Capt. F. MURRILL, National Vice President BARNEY CLARKE (LM), Gen. LAMB (M), Capt. J. CAFFERTY, and Lt. F. BEARCER, the old members of D Co., 102nd Inf. were in Gala mood to greet such a distinguished gathering that travelled from many points in the Nutmeg State, to the Seicheprey Post of the American Legion Headquarters in Bristol, Connecticut, on Friday evening, April 19th.

Good Old BILL THOMPSON (D Co.) called the meeting to order and in well chosen words, and in his own kindly way, told all of the men that nearly filled this large hall that the main point that they were called together tonight was to sign applications and organize all YD Men in Bristol into a National Chapter, after his words were well taken, he introduced JOE DOTTOM, Mayor of Bristol, who is, and always was, a true pal to the YD Men and veterans as a whole.

With such a Chairman as BILL THOMPSON selected, there was only one channel for this meeting to travel, and that was success. The Mayor, who is a first class story-teller, introduced all of the distinguished

speakers in his own whimsical way that just suited all present. Many tall stories were told by Gen. LAMB (M) of the past when he was the Judge, Jury, and all the trimmings that go with a Colonel who has to Court Martial. HARRY BISSELL (M) knows of one good old American of the past ages, who could make any Englishman do just one thing, and this brought many a good laugh from his hearers.

LEN MALONEY (M), as the General Chairman of the coming Convention, told those present of how this vast Organization was moulding all plans for all Delegates who will travel from many States to attend this year's affair in New Haven. And by the stillness of his hearers, it was plainly to be seen that his words went straight home to each man present.

All of the distinguished guests were called upon to speak to the gathering and each in his own way brought a friendly message to all of the men.

OLD BILL THOMPSON named a few Committees, who will act until the Bristol Boys receive their Charter from National Headquarters. All present understood that the next meeting will be at his call sometime in the very near future.

All YD Men and all those who were transferred to the YD were invited to this meeting, and BILL THOMPSON and those who worked with him, put over a swell job in rounding the boys up. 21 men signed the application and paid their dues, while 31 men signed and will mail the dues to Bill or his helpers inside of a week.

—"OLD BILL" ADAMS (M)

OUTSIDE NEW ENGLAND

YD CLUB OF CHICAGO (CH)

On the spot as the retiring president, W. D. CROWELL (M), (Machine Gun Co., 101st Infantry), acquitted himself nobly at the April 9 meeting of the YD Club of Chicago (M). It was the annual stag and installation of officers, staged at the Civil Service Post of the American Legion, 177 N. Clark Street. Many new faces turned up and three new members were signed.

Comrade CROWELL waxed eloquent in reviewing the history of the Club and paying tribute to those who helped to build it up. He introduced the new staff of officers, lined them up on the stage for a "show-up", shook hands with each one, and then sat down, thinking he was through. However, there was a surprise awaiting him.

Comrade T. H. SHEPPARD (M), (A Co., 102nd M.G. Bn.) the new President, said a few words and then turned the floor over to Comrade R. W. FOGG (M), (Supply Company, 103rd Inf.), the new sergeant-at-arms. Comrade Fogg acknowledged the club's debt to Comrade CROWELL (M) for originating it and for serving as its president for two years. He then presented the retiring president with a gold YD lapel pin, especially designed for the occasion.

Now for the scandal! After hemming and hawing about it, Comrade FOGG finally got up the courage to kiss Comrade CROWELL on alternate cheeks, after the manner of the French in bestowing decorations! Zowie!

Though he blushed, Comrade Crowell had the presence of mind to make another speech, expressing his thanks for the token of the club's esteem. So we have a real Spartan returned to the ranks. Not entirely returned though, for the new by-laws of the club provide for the ex-president becoming the Chaplain.

New members signing up were ROBERT G. REGAN (M), (F Battery, 103rd F.A.); WILLIAM KLUG JR. (M), (E Co., 102nd Inf.), and DANA M. HUBBARD (M), (C Battery, 103rd F.A.). Among the visitors were W. M. MCSWEENEY, (B Co., 101st Engineers); E. V. CLUTTERHAM, and GEORGE IVERSON, (A Co., 102nd Inf.), and Comrade HORN (L Co., 102nd Inf.), who dropped in for a short time.

Capt. R. C. "DICK" GRANIERE of the 63rd Pursuit Squadron, the Canadian war ace, was a guest of honor.

Entertainment was provided by Comrade R. A. USHER (M), (A Battery, 103rd F.A.), Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, and the food and drink was supervised by Comrade JOHN J. LEE (M), (A Co., 103rd Inf.), mess sergeant; and Comrade T. D. DRISCOLL (M), (I Co., 103rd Inf.), chef, assisted by Comrade W. A. BRADY (M), (101st Signal Bn.)

Comrade E. D. O'CONNELL (M), (L Co., 102nd Inf.), new treasurer, had a busy time collecting national and local dues, assisted by Comrade C. A. BUSH (M), (C Battery, 101st F.A.), who is now only the secretary. Movies of the gathering were taken by Comrade LEE (M).

—C. A. B. (M)

YD CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (CH)

Well, Sir, the old YD Club of Southern California (CH) scores again. If this oft repeated phrase seems like boasting it isn't intended to be. Merely enthusiasm.

The success this time was our National flag dedication on the evening of April 17th. It was one of those happy events when everything "clicked" and all who attended enjoyed a delightful program.

Every seat in our spacious meeting hall was filled when Vice President ARCHIE BRADLEY (M), in the

Chair due to the enforced absence of President Bob Norris (M) who was out of the City, called the assemblage to order and introduced Past President Mitchell (M) as Master of Ceremonies. The colors were then advanced by Sergeant-at-arms, Ernie Couture and his assistant Joe McCarthy, while John Fox, Jr., son of Past President Fox (M), sounded "To the Colors".

After a word of welcome to the many guests the leader of the Bel Cante Chorus of North Hollywood, Mrs. John Farquhar, was presented, she in turn introducing the individual members. The Chorus then sang several selections which so pleased the audience that the applause stopped only with the assurance that they would be heard again later in the program.

Very appropriate to the occasion was the next number and we were most fortunate in having the famous drill team of Highland Park Unit No. 206, American Legion Auxiliary. The girls in their blue and white uniforms gave the affair a brilliant setting and were with us to present the flag history. Captain Helen Long was introduced and the team members were presented by her before they left the hall to re-enter in form to a march played by Louie Greenleaf.

The history of the American Flag was told in detail by Mrs. Ruby Booth in a very interesting manner while the team members displayed the flags of the different periods as she talked and the audience listened with rapt attention to the story, giving Mrs. Booth and the team a well deserved ovation as the history was concluded.

The Star Spangled Banner was then sung as a solo by Mrs. Farquhar and in a manner that revealed the full richness of her beautiful voice. She is the wife of our John Farquhar, (Supply Co., 101st Infantry).

Chaplain Robert B. Hurley was then called to the rostrum to dedicate the flag which he did in his usual efficient manner. Never at a loss for words, Chaplain "Bob" gave us an oratorical feast as he performed this duty after which he read an original poem written in honor of the occasion.

The Bel Cante Chorus again favored us with two selections after which the colors were retired and "Taps" sounded by Bugler Fox.

The audience then adjourned to the dining hall where Mess Sergeant Jim Ripley and wife, Mabel, had ice cream, cake and coffee ready to serve.

Calif. Unit, 104th Inf. Vet. Ass'n.

In commemoration of the battle of Apremont, veterans of the 104th Infantry met at the home of Jim Ripley (M.G. Co.) on Saturday evening, April 27th, while the other members of the regiment were holding their reunion at Athol, Mass.

This big reunion in Los Angeles is an annual affair and the Flaming Torch burns brightly each year.

The festive board, highly decorated for the occasion saw a goodly number of the old outfit gathered around to reminisce while enjoying a delicious meal prepared by Mabel Ripley, topped off by some of the best cigars our vest pocket has ever bulged with.

One by one the boys broke down and confessed to the part they played in the winning of the war. When the barrage got too loud Ernie Couture rapped for order and conducted a business meeting. He read a number of communications from that demon Adjutant, Larry Wagner (M), who will never be satisfied until every last man of the regiment is accounted for.

The outcome of it was that a local Association was formed for the triple purpose of assisting the 104th Veterans Association, the Yankee Division Veterans Association and the YD Club of Southern California. Who better for the office of Commander than the acting chairman of the meeting? Not a damn one so Couture was elected and cheered to the echo. Seriously, the boys made an excellent choice because Ernie has been a consistant plugger and will function 104% for the three groups. Ernest by name and Earnest by nature, he is an excellent choice. He is out of A Co.

The officers elected were:

President: Ernest Couture (A Co.)
Vice President: Charlie Olson (G Co.)
Adjutant: Frank W. Zink (K Co.)
Finance Officer: Geo. C. Johnson (D Co.)
Sgt.-at-arms: Jim Ripley (M.G. Co.)
Historian: Charlie Heath (A Co.)
Executive Committeemen: Dr. M. A. Welbourne (M) (Med. Det.), John J. Fox (M) (D Co.), G. K. Mitchell (M) (104th Amb. Co.).

There was some talk of making Charlie Heath Stable Sergeant but nothing came of it. Charlie likes the ponies pretty well.

President Bob Norris (M), of the YD Club of Southern California and Past President Pete Dresser (M) were guests; also a couple of police partners of Bill Reid (E Co.).

Now then, I didn't mean to glom on to all the space in Doings, but I had just so much to tell.

Enclosed find check in the amount of $2.00 to cover the dues of Jim Cook (bill also enclosed).

—G. K. M. (M)

YD CLUB OF WASHINGTON (CH)

A new prospect for the Club is running around loose, Frank W. McCann, (A Co., 101st Engrs.) who enlisted from Sanford, Maine. We are hot on his trail and hope to have him roped, thrown and branded, also to perform a painful extraction of $3.00.

Saw Len Maloney (M), of New Haven, General Chairman of the 1935 YD Convention

Committee at the Powhattan. He was in the city attending some conference or other, I didn't quite get it, but Washington is the Mecca of conferences, etc.

If I am to judge from his brief outline, this 1935 Convention will be THE Convention of all time (I believe it will be) and you birds will be missing a program that will outshine all previous conventions rolled into one.

As far back as early fall, 1934, I began receiving copies of "Connecticut Yankee," a juicy, newsey 3 to 4 page publication of the Convention Committee and a real booster. Why, even the several chapter presidents and National officers are being mugged and their grinning pans will appear in the official program.

The city, state and business interests have appropriated large sums, so finance seems to be the least of their worry. A worker, hustler and real booster is LEN MALONEY (M), and better hands could never be found to place the building up of the 1935 YD Convention in.

Those of you who have been in New Haven for any period of time need not be told of the advantages that city offers for a good time.

As yet there is nothing definite regarding who and how many will journey to New Haven but quite a few have expressed their intentions.

To those who have never been to New England, it would be worth the while to attend the convention, then go on to historic Boston, then over the Mohawk Trail thru Lexington, Concord and over the magnificent Berkshire Mountains with its beautiful scenery to Greenfield, Mass., then Brattleboro, Vt., returning to historic old Bennington, carrying you over the beautiful Green Mountains then to Troy, Albany down the Storm King Highway thru Newburgh, West Point and New York City—(then you can go as you damn well please.) I have made this trip every summer for five years and it seems more beautiful each year.

Guess I've boosted the convention and New England long enough, else I'll be charged advertising rates.

The members of the Club are glad to welcome JOHN CASWELL (M) back to our meetings. John recently returned from England, where he was called because of his father's condition. John reached there in time but his father passed away soon after his arrival.

—L. W. ST. P. (M)

101ST INFANTRY ITEMS

G COMPANY

The Woburn Association of G Company will be host to the Worcester contingent on May 26 this year at Woburn. A memorial mass will be celebrated at St. Charles Church at 11:00 o'clock, followed by a Reunion Dinner at the Woburn Armory.

103RD INFANTRY

M COMPANY

A letter from RICHARD SMITH (M) who lives at West Springfield, N.H., reveals that he has hard work to get around on crutches, but in spite of that has attended several YD reunions. He says, though, that it has been hard for him to get around to see old buddies. So fellows of M Company, drop him a line, and if he gets to New Haven this year, be sure to get around to see him. It means more than you think to a fellow who has to stay put in one spot. He would especially like to get a letter from Major RAY CABOT (M).

FLICKERS FROM THE 104TH

ATHOL REUNION

From noon on Friday, April 26, the members of the 104th Infantry Veterans Association kept arriving in Athol. Registration was at the memorial Hall. The Executive Committee met at 4:00 P.M., and was in session for over three hours.

At 8:00 o'clock, most of the Companies had their Company Banquets. The big show started a little before midnight, and was still going on in the wee hours of the morning.

Saturday morning was all that could be asked for: the sun was out bright and the day got

warmer as the morning advanced. At 10:00 o'clock, the business meeting started with Reverend Barker offering prayer for our departed. Welcome to Athol was extended by the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, George W. Grant. General HAYES (M) and General SLATE (M) gave short talks. State Treasurer Charles F. Hurley, representing the Governor, addressed the meeting, and gave the greetings of the Commonwealth to the Association.

The new officers elected for the coming year are as follows:

Honorary Commander: Major General B. FRANK CHEATHAM

Commander: CHARLES A. GOUCHER (M Co.), of Milford

Sr. Vice Commander: H. GUY WATTS (LM) (C Co.), of Boston

Jr. Vice Commander: ALEXANDER C. BENNETT (C Co.), of Worcester

Chaplain: The Reverend GEORGE S. L. CONNOR (M), of Springfield

Treasurer: Brig. General EDMUND J. SLATE (M), of Holyoke

It was voted to hold the reunion in Quincy next year.

The parade in the afternoon was a very colorful one, with the entire 181st Regiment, the V.F.W. and Legion Post, and drum corps from the schools.

The Ball was held at Orange, was attended by many, and the reunion was voted a success by all.

—H. G. W. (LM)

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY

The following members of Headquarters Co. have been elected to the Executive Committee Council, 104th Infantry Veterans Association for the coming year: Company Commander MALCOLM A. MORRISON (M), EDWARD J. CHISHOLM (M), JOHN F. REGAN (M). Alternates: Company Vice Commander RAYMOND D. JACKSON, FRANK J. CONLON, MAURICE A. DUNN.

C COMPANY

The Company was well represented at Athol and everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves. About 35 attended the banquet.

JIMMIE LEIGH (M) retired as Regimental Commander. AL BENNETT (M) who has been Sgt.-at-Arms for the past year was elected Junior Vice Commander. DAN JONES (M) Past Commander was appointed Judge Advocate for the coming year by Commander GOUCHER (M).

The election of officers for the Company was held at the Banquet with ROLAND COOK (M) elected Commander, GUY WATTS (LM) Vice Commander, GEO. ELLIOTT (M) Treas., JOHN HOPKINS and GEO. THOMSON (M) Exec. Comm.

Worcester was represented as usual with the greatest number at the banquet with PARMENTER, GRANFORS, BILL GILLIAM (M), FALK, L. D. JONES (M) VALENTINE, FEGREAUS, PHIL WOOD, RAY LEONARD, ESTES, J. ANDERSON, H. ANDERSON, YESS, BUSS, H. HOPKINS, TUTTLE, PAUL, BILL MILLWARD, W. BARNARD, ABBEY, NORTHRIDGE, WALTER PRICE, JORDAN, TED NOYES (M) L. HENDRICKS, MERRIFIELD.

GORDON BOYD and BILL PRICE showed up before the Parade. JEFFERY (M) lost his teeth again. ART LEBRACK, TOM MAHONEY (M) BILL MAHONEY, JOE KANUSKY (M) and GEORGE KEEFE were up from Boston; TOM MONGUSO (M) from Milford.

Some day it is hoped that we will have a 100% attendance of all the old gang at a reunion. See you in Quincy next year.

—H. G. WATTS (LM)

I COMPANY

The Annual Reunion Supper of I Co., 104th Infantry was held on April 13th, at the Hotel Northampton, in Northampton, Mass., with 52 members present.

Major THOMAS J. HAMMON (LM) presided, with the acting Mayor of the City as guest.

Mr. A. J. BARONE, of the Springfield Union, (who was responsible for the pictorial history of the 104th running in his paper) told a few stories, one of which was about "RUBE" LENNON, (the College Town man who speaks four languages) and HUGH J. O'REGAN, (the man from the City where they put pegs in shoes). The story pertained to their trip in which they landed at the Red Cross Home for Nurses. Ask them about it some time!

Good and reliable LARRY WAGNER (M) was on the job as usual and told us about the plans for the Reunion at Athol.

Next in line, came "RUBE" LENNON, the perpetual entertainer, who sang "Casey's Wooden Wedding."

Then, Sergt. ARTHUR "SKIPPY" SMITH, who is still bringing his "little black book"; and as usual, is full of hope that some day he will be able to throw it away. (We hope so, too.)

Our old Top, LEON LAVALLEE, called the roll from memory, his usual yearly stunt, without an error.

Good old Capt. JOE REARDON told one of his usual stories of unusual happenings. Too long to report here.

Major BECKMAN was on deck, as usual, and told a few true stories; also the one about Mrs. Bitch who had so many sons in the army.

First prize for coming the longest distance went to EDWARD C. BADER, who came all the way from Kentucky. If any of you want to write to him, his address is 7 Pike St., Covington, Ky.

The following Committee was named to take care of the reunion next year: LEON LAVALLEE, RALPH D. MERRITT (M), FRANK J. REARDON, THOMAS M. LENNON and ED. BOUTHILETTE.

The following members were elected to serve on the Executive Committee of the Regimental Ass'n.: LEON LAVALLEE, ARTHUR E. EGAN and AUSTIN F. APPLEBY (M).

—A. F. A. (M)

P.S. The writer would like to hear from all you fellows in Northampton, from time to time. Let's keep I Co. in the news and write to the Editor of YANKEE DOINGS, of everything that is happening. The boys in Lynn receive YANKEE DOINGS, why don't you?

51ST F.A. BRIG. HDQTS. DETACHMENT

Our reunion notices have been sent out to 125 members. Each member is asked to urge or carry some member living near him to Boston on Sunday, June 2nd, 11:00 A.M., at the YD Club.

Lunch is to be had for the sum of thirty-five cents and dues and collections are *not* in order.

Recently the writer had breakfast with GEORGE COBB at the Commodore in N. Y.

A pleasant day was spent with our old friend ROD MACRAE (M) the same week.

Our officers have been busy digging up new addresses and we are anxious to have this reunion the largest one yet.

Do your bit—come we are voting for Mac (MacRae) Convention Reunion Headquarters from 11:00 A. M. daily.

Commercial Hotel, New Haven. Don't miss this.

—G. A. LIVESEY (M)
268 Broad St.,
Providence, R. I.

CHAS. CLARKE, *Com.*
LEO BROWN, *Adj.*

101ST FIELD ARTILLERY

What about a reunion at New Haven? Where are all you loyal Artillerymen these days? Boston has plenty of them and they used to be live wires. I for one would like to see some of the ex-officers—you know—the Colonels, Majors, Lieutenants, and others give us ex-privates a chance to dig out Y.D.V.A. members and carry on while they organize a Reunion of some sort to show that the 101st F.A. spirit still lives.

—A. R. D. (M)

To the above sentiments, the Editor of DOINGS breathes a deep "Amen". What say, Gen. SHERBURNE (LM), Col. LUTHER (LM), BEN TICKNOR (LM), TED STORER (M), BOB GOODWIN (M), AL BECK (M), BEN JAMES (M) and fifty others? Are you going to have a 101st F.A. Reunion in New Haven or not?

101ST MACHINE GUN B'N.

EDWARD B. BARNES (C Co.) who has been "sunjourning" in Los Angeles since 1925, where he is employed by the city Engineering Dep't., flew to this sector during his vacation period. The wagoners used their usual grape-vine S.O.S., and the pleasant result was a dinner for "Big Ed" at the Avon Country Club. About 18 agents attended, and a grand get-together it was.

Ed says they very often have a Japanese scare out there and he wouldn't be surprised to see the Japanese battleships come over his front lawn any day. He also says they all brag about the climate, but he hasn't any children yet.

Don't forget about the YD Chapter in L. A., Ed.

EDWARD W. O'MARA—"Doug Fairbanks"—(C Co.) is a section foreman, and, with a group of assistants, is making a survey of the city of Hartford. One of the Battalion alumni saw Ed measuring the trunk of a tree with a big pair of calipers. Thinking Ed had gone screwy, he slammed on his brakes, turned around and went like hell down another street. Ed says he'll be glad when the leaves come out, as some of the boys rung in a couple telephone poles this past winter.

Hartford—and Connecticut in general—is getting YD-minded, and all are looking forward to a great time in New Haven the end of June.

—E. C. C. (M)

ENGINEER ENTRIES

CAPERS OF C

Twenty-seven C Co. men showed up for the party at the Armory on April 6, given by the ladies of the Welfare Association, eight of them with their wives or sons. GIBLIN was the only officer present among the group which included the Three Horsemen (in rare form): HOWARD PORTER, who showed up much to our surprise and pleasure; NORM WRIGHT, just recovering from a serious operation; and HARRY PORTER (M), all the way from Yarmouth, Maine. We all had a good dinner and a good time, and our thanks are hereby extended to the ladies who made it possible. Mrs. Lyndell, Allen's mother, is the one principally responsible for the success. If you were not there, you missed something.

A card has been received from Lieut. JOHNNY WOOD (now Captain) from Manilla where he is now stationed. Sends his best wishes to all and

says the best thing about the islands is the perpetual summer, with swimming in mid-winter.

BERT FLEMING (M), who is now a prosperous cotton broker in Phoenix, Arizona, is a candidate of the People's Organization for City Commissioner. All C Company is rooting for him to win.

CARL ZOLLINGER has moved his Lares and Penates (including his trick son, Isbistes) way out in the sticks to Somerville. Promises to write and tell us all about the country there some day.

Three men who have been missing for years have been discovered: LAGERHOLM, who lives in Milbury, Mass.; AMOS BARRELL JR., who is in Worcester, and HAVILAND AMES, in Port Washington, N. Y. CHARLIE STINSON is holding out at Hollywood as usual.

ED MCCONNELL (M) writes from New York that he would like to see some of the C Co. men at the Convention in New Haven, June 28-30. If any number of "C" men want to get together there, and will let HAROLD HEALD (M) know, we'll get a room for headquarters.

In the meantime, HARRY PORTER (M) is laying plans for another Old Orchard party. We want all the Maine men and everyone else who knows what good times we have had at Old Orchard. You'll receive word about this later.

BILL HARRIS (M) has given up the Secretaryship of C Co. Association, and HAROLD HEALD (M) will carry on. His address is 9 Clark Ave., Beverly, Mass. Tel Beverly 3039-W.

—C. W. H. (M)

ECHOES OF E

As announced last month, DOINGS sees but little sense in reprinting here what has already reached the attention of E Company men through the medium of RALPH EASTMAN'S (M) admirable little sheet: "E CO. ECHOES".

And if men of other companies are interested in hearing about the men of E, let 'em send Ralph a buck, and receive "Echoes".

This isn't because DOINGS is trying to crowd any company out in the cold, but "Echoes" does such a big job, that the few items we'd have room for here wouldn't look like much, and besides we wouldn't know which ones to pick out.

FANCIES OF F

Well, well here is May 25, the last Saturday in May, coming upon us with leaps and bounds; and along with it THE party of the year that none of us would miss. Yuh, you said it, the Annual E and F Company "War Babies Reunion". So we'll be a'seein' you all at the old Armory, deep down underneath the ground, where the granite walls could tell many a story of E and F reunions (but thank God they can't).

Doesn't seem to be much F Company news this month. Eight or ten attended the second monthly get-together at the "club devke'der" on the third Monday in April, enjoying a good supper and a talk over old times. By the way, the rumor persists that JOHNNY GOODWIN died several years ago. Anyone know for a fact whether this is true or not?

There should be plenty of news next month. Don't miss that party at the Armory on May 25 on your life.

—P.N.S. (M)

PERSONALS FROM THE PINE TREE STATE

MAURICE KADEN (G Co., 103rd Inf.) of Bangor, HAROLD WAKELY, and others of G. Co have started to worry about the cops from Bangor to New Haven, and how tough they are on speed laws. New Haven need not worry; Maine, with men from the 103rd Infantry and the 103rd Field Artillery as well, will be in their fair city for the Convention.

The boys hear occasionally from the best-loved man in Maine, Col. HUME. He is still in Houlton, eating and sleeping, but this winter he took up snow-shoeing.

EARL NOYES (M) is the best known grocery man in Smyrna Mills, and promises to be in New Haven if his car will run.

FRANK JOCK (M) (A Co., 103rd Inf.) of Kezar Falls: ELTON P. WALKER (M) has called and looked you up, and will be glad to do so again when in your town.

FRANK LAMBERT (B Co., 103rd Inf.) is in Livermore Falls, selling advertising. Says he would like to do better.

ASA MORSE (101st Engrs.) is doing guard duty at Togus—Civil Service job.

GEORGE MCLEAN (101st Engrs.) has moved into new offices in Rumford: things look brighter.

LEO JODOIN (B Co., 103rd Inf.) is still doing business at the old stand at the Rumford Furniture Co. on Congress St., and says when more YD men get married, he will furnish more homes.

"SLEEPY" JACQUES (B Co., 103rd Inf.) is opening a wonderful new gas station in Rumford. All YD men with cars would do well to patronize him.

CHARLES SULLIVAN (101st Inf.), located at Togus, Maine (of course no YD man knows what that place is) is the uncrowned bridge champion.

At last BUTTERFIELD (L Co., 101st Inf.) is under control. He is in the hospital at Togus.

Met MALCOLM STODDARD the other night. He is still the Bryan of the State of Maine, and all the ex's in the State are with him always.

HAZEN O. HAGAR (M) (F Co., 103rd Inf.) is putting his hard luck behind him and is about ready to hit the ball again at his old stand. May all the luck in the world go with him.

FLETCHER LONG (101st M.P.) has been laid up with tonsilitis the last two weeks.

—E. P. W. (M)

"THE LOST BATTALION"

DOINGS has "the Connecticut Yankee' to thank for the following news of YD men, here there and everywhere:

Your And My YD Buddy

It's a small world. On the same mail we get requests for the "*Yankee*" from RAYMOND MANSFIELD, 35 Pleasant St., Worcester, Mass., ROBERT E. MILLER, Box 153, Holden, Mass., and WALTER HEIBEL, Route 1, Columbus, Nebraska. They're all former members of Battery E, 102nd F.A. Meet in New Haven, boys.

And then came notes from FRANCIS CLARK, 5399 Iroquois Ave., Detroit, Mich., and ISAAC I. ERVIN, 1320 N. 11th St., Mattoon, Ill. Both were in Co. C, 102nd Inf.

WARREN CLARK, 102nd Ambulance Co., is in Frannie, Wyoming.

W. L. LONERGAN, good old "Pop", of the 103rd MG Bn., who may be reached via Route 2, Box 650, Tampa, Fla., has a good buddy in Bellows Falls, Vt. The latter asked to have "Pop" put on the mailing list.

CALVIN M. EOFF, Route 6, Lubbock, Texas, wants to hear from PAT MALONEY, who was in some "M" Company.

From away down in Hamlet, No'th Carolina, comes a peep from JEFFERSON O. BILLINGSLEY, Co. D, 101st Engineers will remember him.

JOHN F. WALSH, Battery D, 101st FA, who lives at 81 Summer St., Salem, Mass., says he'll be here in June. Fine! How about registering?

Wouldn't it be fine if the Yankee Division Association of Ohio became affiliated with the Y.D.V.A.? F. L. HUMPHREY, 608 Winters Bldg., Dayton, is president. What say, Buckeye.

DUVALL SAUM, A Co., 101st Empees, may be addressed at Box 4, Hillsboro, Ohio. He wants to get a history containing a proper account of his outfit's doings.

HARRY WHITMAN, 1114 Main Ave., Warren, would like to hear from comrades of the 102nd and 103rd Field Hospitals. He served in both. They'll be here on June 28, 29 and 30, Harry. (E-101 Inf.)

WM J. SCHROEDER is at 4206, 21st Ave., Astoria, Long Island.

And DENNIS CAMPBELL, erstwhile D Co., 101st Inf., is sitting pretty at Guide Rock, Neb.

JACK POSTLEY, C Co., 103rd Inf., of 107 Summit St., Toledo, O., asks about the Y.D.V.A. Get after him, Phil.

S. F. WALCOTT, F Co., 104th Inf., wants the dope on a history of his outfit. He is at 1041 Leona Ct., San Jose, Cal. Here's a job for the YD Club of Southern Caifornia. Get him, Thad!

Remember CARLIE KUJAWA, of Hdq. Co., 104th Inf.? He is in Olmstead Falls, Ohio.

And ALBERT E. SILVA, who is rarin' to hear from former members of C Co., 101st Inf., may be addressed at Box 143, Tariffville, Conn.

L. F. HOPPE, B Co., 102nd Inf., writes us from Highland Park, Ill., and says he will be here in June. He wants Captain Oberlin to write to him. The address is 507 Elm Place.

Eau Claire, Wis., is a far piece off. But CLARENCE D. "JAKE" JAQUISH, is going to try to make the New Haven reunion. Address him at 715½ Hudson St.

Captain DAVID HUNTER, who will be remembered by men of the 101st Infantry, is living on R.F.D. No. 3, Rockford, Illinois.

B. G. MULDOWNEY, formerly Co. E-21st Eng., lived in Hartford, Conn., until recently. Now he may be reached at 2109 No. 67th St., Wauwatosa, Wis.

President FLORENCE HAWKES of YD Post 130's auxiliary has assigned a bevy of girls to help RALPH WALKER line up bunks for you bozos. The auxiliaries are also helping out with other convention chores.

Remember the fine looking egg who acted as chauffeur for "BLACK JACK?" Yeh, RALPH LAVERS. He is now Commander for Worcester County Mass., Dept. of the Legion.

RALPH is in Southbridge and so are ALEX BEAUREGARD, (102nd F.A.); CARL CORRIVEAU, of the MP; JERRY DONOGHUE (G-101st Inf.); ALBERT TREMBLEY, (I-Same Outfit); TED PROULX (E-102nd F.A.); J. E. HEFNER, (L-102nd Inf.); ROSARI LEDUC, (H-102nd Inf.) and PAUL HARRIS (Hqrs. 102nd F.A.).

Anybody in C Co., 101st Field Sig. Bn. remember FRANK LAUGHRIGE? He is in Portland, Ore., trying his damndest to get east for the shindig. 4006 S. E. Harold St.

And TOM FINNANE, who avers he is proud to have been "only a replacement" in A Co., 102nd Inf. wants to know if JIM WALSH, JOE TENONE, Sergt. BURGLUND or Lieut. PETERSON are alive. Address him at 1913 Sixth Street.

FRANK DE MARCO, (K-104th Inf.) is at 2300 Saranac Ave., Beechwood, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Lieut. J. A. CONNOLLY (he doesn't give his outfit) is C. O. of the 2302 Co., C.C.C. Frederick, Maryland.

GUY BUMGERNER (M.G. Co.-102nd Inf.) may be addressed at Bloomingburg, Ohio.

"Can you tell me anything about E Battery boys, of the 103rd F.A. living about New Haven" writes RAYMOND S. CHACE (M), 50 Elm St., Pawtucket, R. I. Tell him, follows!

RAY KINCAID, (C-102nd M.G.) wants to hear from FRANK BARTHOLOMEW of that gang.

RAY may be addressed at 36 Homestead Ave., New Britain, Connecticut.

NO DUES?

"The time has come, the Walrus said,
To talk of many things;
Of dues, and duns, and dollar bills,
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